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During the month of July, a raiding party of Yankees passed through the Central and Eastern portions of the State, destroying to a large extent, private and public property, and then, with trifling damage to themselves escaped from our borders. It is not a thing foreign to our habits, for us entirely, from such predatory expeditions; but Certainly, with a well effected organization of the Militia of the State, such expeditions would rarely be attempted, or if attempted at all, would result in disaster to those who attempt them.

The successful advance of the enemy into our Sister State, Georgia and the fall of Atlanta have exposed to attack and invasion, the Northern and eastern portions of Alabama. Unless prompt measures of defence are provided, the State must become the field for Contending Armies and the people of Alabama must realize, at their own doors, the desolations and hardships which bleed, war inflicts.

At the extra Session of the General Assembly, held in August, 1864, a Law was passed providing for the organization of the Arms-bearing people of the State, and a System was adopted, which, if well Supported, might prove sufficient for the defence of the State. But there are serious defects in that Law, and since that time the Legislature of Congress has so far interfered with the State organization as to make State legislation necessary.

The Law of August 29th, 1864, divided the Military forces of the State into two Classes. All boys between 16 and 17 years of age, men between 45 and 60 and Some others, let at ages of 18 and 45, exempted from the Second Class, Constituted the first Class. All Males, able to bear arms, between 18 and 45, not in the Confederate Service, and not exempted by State Laws, Constituted the Second Class. The first Class was called Conscript Reserves and could not be Ordered to Serve out of their respective Counties. The Second Class were called State Militia and were Subject to be ordered to any portion of the State as required the Service. The Corps of Cavalry of the Militia of Alabama was Subject to the orders of the Governor, to be used in any portion of the State and thus might be considered a portion of the Second Class. By this and Subsequent legislation of Congress made to change the Second Class included all who had furnished Substitutes in the Confederate Army. This made a body of Several thousand men. These and the boys below 17 and above 45 and others exempted from Confederate Service, would have furnished a most respectable force for the defence of the State.

The Congress of the 5th day of January, 1864, made liable to Conscription all who had furnished Substitutes, and by the act of the 17th of February, 1864, made all the boys below 17 and above 18, liable to Confederate Service. Thus by Constituting the great body of the Second Class Militia in actual Conscripts for the Confederate States Army.

The Law of Congress of the 17th February, 1864, likewise made liable to Confederate Service the men between 45 and 50 years old, thus transferring from the Militia a large body of men upon whom the State relied for defence.

Under the System of exemptions, authorized by the Laws of Congress, many persons have been exempt from Confederate Service by giving bonds to furnish Meat and other products of Cultivation prices, to the Confederate authorities. And others exempted by reason of Some Mechanical Skill or employment. All these, with those who had furnished substitutes will be found in the Second Class Militia.

On the 22nd of July last Governor Watts issued his proclamation and ordered a draft of the Second Class Militia in their several Counties, to be held on the 15th day of August at places

designated in the order. All the Same time and in the Same proclamation, I de-
nied all belonging to the first class, who were able to bear arms to appear at Such
times and places, to defend the State against the threatened invasion. On the 4th day
of August, I issued an Order requiring all the officers of the State who had obtained
exemption from Confederate Service, by Means of the Exemption Certificate and the Act
of Congress of the 17th of February 1864. to return under Any Call, on pain of having
Such Certificate revoked and of being treated as Confederate enrolling officers.

With all the cautions and Safeguards in which my power, up to
this day, the troops assembled under Any Call and proclamation, is Shown to
be so Small as to demonstrate the necessity for further legislation in order to Se-
cure the proper defence of the State.

Under the present Law the Governor cannot be compelled
to go beyond the bounds of this respective County to defend the State, however im-
perious the necessity. A battle may be going on at Opelika, and the first Class
Militia of Chambers and Macon Counties may be legally operated at the lines of
their respective Counties, within hearing and within Sight of the battle, yet the Gover-
nor has no legal power to order them to participate in the fight. A battle may be go-
ing on at Montgomery and the first Class Militia of Autauga County may be assem-
bled on the banks of the Alabama River opposite the City of Montgomery within hear-
ing and Sight of the Conflict; yet, under the Law no officer has the legal power to Com-
pel them to cross the river and engage in the battle.

It is obvious that a Law which will permit Such a State of things
ought to be altered.

Under the provisions of the State Exemption Law of the 29th of August,
1863, all persons who have been or might be thereafter exempted under the existing Laws
of Congress, were placed in the first class Militia. Those within the ages of 17 and 45, who
under the Subsequent Legislation of Congress, have been exempted as Agriculturists (having
given bonds) are now held to be liable to duty within the Second Class, Militia. There is no
reason for this distinction. Men between 45 and 50 years of age, who are or may be ex-
empted from Confederate Service by reason of giving bonds, and the Law of Congress has
placed in the first class by the Law of August 29th 1863. There is no good reason why Such
Men Should not perform Service in the Second Class, when the Necessities of the State re-
quire their Services.

I recommend that all persons exempted from Confederate Service, who
to bear arms be made liable to duty with the Second Class, Militia, except the of-
ficers of the Civil and Military departments of the State Government, whose official
duties require their Constant and uninterrupted attention.

I recommend that all boys between 16 and 17 years old, and Men
between 50 and 55 years old, able to bear arms be placed in the Second class Mi-
litia, and that Made Subject to the orders of the Commander in Chief to perform Service if any por-
tion of the State, their Services May be required.

Under the Law of August 29th 1863 in the Congressional Districts,
the first Class Militia Could not be organized. The Law exempts entire districts from
its operation except to ascertain the Number. What motive Could have induced Such ex-
emption, I am at a loss to Conjecture. These districts lie in that portion of the State Most ex-
posed to the depredations of the enemy, and for this reason, if for no other, it Seems to me
that organization was and is of the utmost importance.

As the interests of each of the Confederate States are identical in
this Struggle against oppression and Subjugation, it deserves your Serious Consideration whether
the right to order the Militia of Alabama into an adjoining State, ought not to be granted.
The fearful Struggle now going on in Georgia is one in which Alabamians as Geor-
gia is permitted to be overrun and devastated by Sherman's ruthless Cohorts, the fate of
Alabama May be read in the desolated homes and Blazing towns and Children of our

Sister State. The battle for the defence of Alabama may be fought on Georgia Soil. Shall we stand idly by, lift not a hand, strike not a blow, while all that is dear to Cherish and Patriots Love are Stacked on the bloody issue? Our fathers, our brethren, our Sons are there, and a Common Cause and a Common destiny urge us to aid them.

There are Many defects in the Law of August 19th, 1863, which your observation has discovered and your wisdom will remedy without Special Suggestion from me.

On the 17th day of February, 1864, Congress passed a Law, declaring all the outstanding issues of Confederate Treasury Notes to be funded within specified times, reserving to the State the right to fund in Six per cents bonds the Amount of Such issue in the State Treasury at Such times. At the last Session of Congress, the States were authorized to exchange for new issue, one half of the old issue held on the first of April and July of this year. Steps have been taken by the Treasurer to Make this exchange. What Shall be done with the other bills of the old issue Now in the Treasury, is a Matter for your Consideration. I believe that, without further Legislation, they might legally been funded. But a doubt on the Mind of the Treasurer, as to the right to fund under the existing Laws, has, thus far, prevented any funding.

All the old issue of Confederate Treasury Notes Not funded by the first of January Next will be taxed to its full Nominal value. A question for your Consideration is whether this old issue Shall, between this time and the first of January, be received in payment of State taxes.

Since your last Session, the bloody drama of war has been played with unparalleled loss of life and destruction of property. By the favor of Heaven Providence the victory for the most part has been with Confederate Arms. The only Serious loss to the South is the occupation of a portion of North Western Georgia and the fall of Atlanta. This though a Serious blow, is by no means irreparable. Instead of Causing a relaxation of exertion, it Should inspire us with renewed energy and Courage. A Calm review of the Spring and Summer Campaigns give the South no Cause for despondency or despair. Large portions of Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Arkansas and West Tennessee have been rescued from the grasp of the enemy. And Virginia today hails with delight on her own Soil the Dwelling Columns of her favorite Son.

While our Confederate Authorities have Carried the Sword in one hand, the olive branch of peace has been Carried in the other. The Success of the Sword Seems Now to be the only Means of Securing peace with our foes. Our proposition to be let alone in the enjoyment of our rights—all terms of peace Save on terms degrading to our Honor and Manhood, have been Spurned by Lincoln and his Cabinet. The hatred and rancor produced in the hearts of Lincoln and his Black Republican parasites by the failure of their demoniac purpose towards the South—purpose avowed to appropriate the property and to Subjugate or Annihilate the freemen of the South—leave us no alternative but to fight on, fight ever until liberty and independence Shall crown our efforts.

The South entered the Contest for the Sole purpose of Maintaining the right of Self-government. When that is Secured the war will Cease. The arrogant demands of our enemy thus far has left us no issue but the issue of battle. The Subjugation of a whole people and the Confiscation of their property are demands to which none but abject Slaves Can Submit. A reunion under the Same government with those who have Murdered our Sons, outraged our women, destroyed our property with worse than Savage Malice, would Stamp with infamy alike the Names of our gallant dead and the living heroes of the war.

I invoke your deliberations and the Cause in which we are engaged the Smiles of a beneficent God.

T. H. Watts
Governor of Alabama

The Message was read when

On motion of Mr Marrasco, it was laid on the table and 133 Copies ordered to be printed for the use of the two Houses.

the Message was taken from the table and

On motion of Mr Parsons, So much of the Message as relates to the Militia, was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

On motion of Mr Benners, So much of the Message as relates to Treasury Notes, was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr Medowell introduced Joint Resolutions proposing an Amendment to the Constitution So as to entitle Soldiers to vote.

which were read and ordered to a Second Reading.

Mr Price offered the following Resolution which was Lost:

Resolved, That no private or local business will be entertained by the House at this Session.

Mr Foster offered the following Resolution which was adopted—

Resolved, That the Clergymen of this City be invited by the Speaker to open the deliberations of this House with prayer every Morning.

Mr Dawson presented the Memorial of Sundry Citizens of Dallas County in relation to an increase of the Rate of Wharfage at Selma

which was Referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr Jones moved to reconsider the vote by which the House ordered 133 Copies of the Governor's Message to be printed, in view of Moving for a larger number, which Motion was lost.

On motion of Mr Foster, the House adjourned till 10 O'Clock, to-morrow Morning.

House of Representatives
Tuesday September 27. 1864

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr Speaker announced the Standing Committees which are to remain as at the last Session with the following additions of Members to said Committees:

Mr Macdonell, to the Committee on Military Affairs.
Mr Merrick, to the Committee on Local Legislation and Insane Asylum.
Mr T. P. Ashe, to the Committee on Salt Supply.
Mr Heflin, to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.
Mr Neal, to the Committee on Agriculture and County Boundaries.

Mr Speaker presented a petition from Sundry ~~Citizens~~ of the City of Montgomery which was referred to the Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

Call of the Counties.

Mr Jones presented the petition of Sundry Citizens of Barbour County which was referred to a Special Committee Consisting of Messrs Jones, Dawson and Macdonell.

Mr McLemore introduced Joint Resolutions in favor of a Peace Congress, which was Read and

On his own Motion, were laid on the table.

Bills were introduced

By Mr May,

To Regulate the fees of the Judge of Probate and the ~~Circuit~~ County Courts ~~of the Criminal Court~~ of Lowndes County

By Mr Macdonell,

To incorporate the Citronelle Wire, Frame and Nursery Company

Also,

To Suspend An Act to protect the elective franchise in the City of Mobile

which were read three times under a Suspension of the Constitutional Rule and passed.

By Mr Ogbourne

~~To increase the fees now allowed by law to the Judge of~~ ~~Probate Court~~

To Repeal An act Amending the Charter of the City of Montgomery approved Feby 15. 1856

which was Read three times forthwith and passed—

By Mr Green

To Constitute Margaret Hodges, a free dealer

By Mr Coleman,

To authorize the Governor to reserve a Certain Quantity

By Mr. Magee
: For the Relief of James E. Slater

By Mr Moulton
To Repeal an act to prevent Gaming in this State approved Dec 3, 1863.

Also.
To amend Judicial proceedings

By Mr Ogburn
To increase the fees now allowed by law to the Jailer of Montgomery County
Which bills were Severally read twice and Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr Vanzandt
For the Relief of the Coosa Guards
which was Read twice and Referred to the Committee on the Military.

Mr Benners asked to be relieved from Service as a Member of the Committee on the Military which Motion was Lost.

Mr Parsons introduced Joint Resolutions in favor of opening Negotiations for Peace.

Message from the Senate by Mr Taul Secretary.

Senate September 7th 1864

Mr Speaker.

The Senate has originated and adopted the following Joint Resolutions,

Joint Resolutions in regard to the death of Major Gen R. E. Rodes
Joint Resolutions in relation to the 2nd Class Militia and State Reserves.

Mr Kilpatrick moved the indefinite postponement of Mr Parsons Joint Resolutions,
Pending the Consideration of which with Mr Manasco entitled to the floor,

House adjourned till 10 O'Clock, to-morrow Morning.

House of Representatives
Wednesday September 28. 1864

House met pursuant to adjournment.
Prayer by the Rev. J. C. Davis of this City.

Mr Speaker laid before the House, the Adjutant and Inspector General's Report of the enumeration of the Alabama Militia under the act of the Legislature, approved August 29th, 1863.
Which was referred to the Committee on the Military.

Message from the Senate by Mr Morgan Assistant Secretary:

Senate Sep 28. 1864

Mr President,

The Senate has adopted the following Resolutions,

Resolved, That the following Amendment be proposed to the Joint Rules for the Government of each House, in interchanging Messages, add at the end of Rule first, the following, "And all Messages shall be in writing."

Also, has adopted,

Joint Resolutions in relation to the war between the Confederate States and the United States,

The Consideration of Mr Parsons' Joint Resolutions in favor of opening Negotiations for Peace was resumed, with Mr Manasco entitled to the floor.

At the hour of 12 O' Clock, the Orders of the day Came up which
On motion of Mr Lacey, were Suspended.

The Consideration of Mr Parsons' Joint Resolutions was
On Motion of Mr McLaurin, postponed till Friday next.

Joint Resolutions proposing an Amendment to the Constitution So as to entitle Soldiers to vote when Read a Second time and Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

Senate Messages.

Senate Joint Resolutions in relation to the death of Maj Genl R. E. Rodes
were Read and adopted.

Senate Joint Resolutions in relation to the Second Class Militia and State Reserves
were read and Refered to the Committee on the Military.

Senate Joint Resolutions in regard to the war between the Confederate States and the United States
were Read and
On Motion of Mr Parsons, postponed till Friday next.

Message from the Governor Covering a Communication from
D. C. Greene Quarter Master General recommending the appointment of
an Ordnance officer of the State
which was read and Referred to the Military Committee.

Mr Battier offered the following Resolution which was adopted.
Resolved, That His Excellency, Gov. Watts, be requested to furnish to the House
a Statement Showing what Amount of State Bonds has been disposed
of by him Since the last Session of the Legislature and what price Sold for,
also what Amount of State Treasury Notes has been put in Circulation by
him Since the passage of the Act approved 8th Dec. 1863.

Mr Fannin offered the following Resolution which was adopted;
Resolved,
That the Governor be requested to furnish the House at the earliest Moment, a full Statement of the number and grounds upon which
he has exempted persons owing Service in the Second Class under the existing Military Law.

Bills Introduced

By Mr Cooper
To punish with death Certain offences therein named

By Mr Ashurst
To Change the names of Certain persons therein named

By Mr Foster
For the Relief of Executors, Administrators, Guardians and
Trustees,

By Mr Chambers
For the Relief of James Harrison

By Mr Magee
To Amend Section 1029 of the Code of Alabama

which bills were Severally read twice and Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr Manasco
To fix the pay of the Members of the General Assembly

By Mr Benners
To authorize an additional Clerk in the Treasury Department and for other purposes

By Mr Merrick
To enable the Sheriff of Hale County to purchase Spirituous Liquors.

which bills were Severally read twice and Referred to the Committee on Ways
and Means

By Mr Lewis

To extend the time for the Completion of Railroads in this State

which was read twice and Referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements—

By Mr Bishop

To Amend Section 1169 of the Code

which was read twice.

On motion of Mr Cooper, it was Amended by Striking out "5" and inserting "10" and by Striking out "10" when it occurs and inserting "15".

And on motion of Mr Grantham; Still further Amended by providing as follows;

Provided—That it shall continue only during the present year.

On motion of Mr M. L. Davis, the bill was referred to the Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

By Mr Cobb.

For the Relief of Lewis M. Wofford Sheriff of Fayette County

which was read twice and Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr Merrick

To provide for the payment of the School funds of Dale County to the Trustees of each Beat

which was Read twice and Referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr Medowell offered a Resolution for the expulsion of Alfred Hartley of Covington County

which was adopted Unanimously

Mr Farmer introduced Joint Resolutions in Relation to peaceful negotiations of the Controversy between the Confederate and United States

which was Read and postponed till Friday next.

Mr Reed introduced Joint Resolutions upon the Subject of a Convention

which was Read and postponed till Friday next.

Mr Bradley introduced Joint Resolutions in favor of Maintaining the privilege of the Writ of habeas Corpus

which was read and referred to the Committee on Confederate Relations.

Mr Parsons from the Judiciary Committee reported favorably to the bill Authorizing the Governor to Rescind Certain Contracts

which was Read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr Bonner, Mr McLemore's Joint Resolutions in favor of Peace Congress were taken from the table and postponed till Friday next.

Mr. C. A. Parker from the Committee on Propositions and Grievances, in relation to the Memorial of Several Ladies of the City of Montgomery,

Reported that the Subject embraced in Said Memorial was not one of proper Legislation.

Report was Concurred in.

Mr Medawell from the Committee on the Military, Reported adversely to the bill

For the Relief of the Coosa Guards

Which Report was Concurred in.

House then, adjourned till 10 O'Clock, to-morrow Morning

House of Representatives.
Thursday Sept 29. 1864

House met pursuant to adjournment.
Prayer by the Rev. Dr H.N. McTyeire of this City.

Mr Bettis offered Joint Resolutions expressing confidence in President Davis and inviting him to attend the Sessions of the General Assembly and addressing the two Houses upon the State of the Country
which were adopted — and ordered forthwith to the Senate.

Messrs Bettis, Chambers and Taylor were appointed a Committee on the part of the House under said Resolutions.

Mr Speaker laid before the House, a Communication from Secondry Citizens of Dallas County — in favor of arming Slaves for our defence.
which was read and Referred to the Military Committee.

Mr C. A. Parker offered the following Resolution which was adopted.

Resolved,
That the Committee on Military Affairs be allowed to leave of absence to said Committee Meetings during the business hours of this House when in their opinion, it may be necessary.

Call of the Counties.

Bills were introduced.

By Mr Speaker Crockett (Mr Cooper in the Chair)
To change the names of Mary Eliza and John Clement Gardner to Kelso

By Mr Mayer,
To increase the fees of the Sheriff of Mobile County,

By Mr Cummings
For the Relief of Samuel H. Darby of Monroe County.

By Mr Price
To amend an act therein named,
which were Read three times forthwith and passed —

By Mr Coleman
For the Relief of S. J. T. Whatley
which was Read three times forthwith and passed by a two thirds vote,

By Mr Jones,
For the Relief of Soldiers families in Barbour County,

By Mr Kilpatrick
To Remove the administration of the estate Henry C. Whitfield from Clarke to Marengo County.

By Mr John G. Moore
For the Relief of B. M. Starke Judge of Probate of Coffee County

By Mr M. L. Davis
For the Relief of Certain Judicial and Executive officers in Marion County.

By Mr Parsons
To authorize the Settlement of the estate of Maj Beavers in the Probate Court of Talladega County.

By Mr Reed
To Amend Section 1212 of the Code
which were Severally Read twice and Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr Chambers
To increase the Salaries of Circuit Court Judges.

By Mr ~~Randall~~ Bryan
For the Relief of Thomas P. Randall of Macon County-

Also,
To increase the Salaries of the Judges of the Chancery and Circuit Courts of the State,
which were Read twice and Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr Chambers
To aid the arresting officers and ~~Deputies~~ Stragglers from the Army,
which was Read twice and Referred to the Committee on the Militia-

Message from the Senate by Mr Morgan Asst Sec'y. notifying the House that the Senate had adopted a Substitute for the House Joint Resolutions expressive of Confidence in President Davis &c
Said Substitute was adopted by the House.

Message from the Senate by Mr Morgan Asst Sec'y.

Senate Sept 27, 1864

Mr Speaker:
The Senate has originated and passed the following bills:

For the Relief of Martha Jane Neilson of Tuscaloosa County
To Change the jurisdiction of the ~~est~~ Administration of the estate of Bird Fitzpatrick deceased from Pike to Montgomery County.
To put it in the power of Soldiers from Alabama to vote in Congressional and Presidential elections at any place they may be at any such election

Also has passed House bills,

To regulate the fees of the Judge of Probate and Commissioners Court of Lowndes County

To Suspend an act to protect the elective franchise in the City of Mobile.

To incorporate the Citronelle Wine Fruit and Nursery Company.

To Repeal an act Amending the Charter of the City of Montgomery approved July 15. 1856.

Mr M. L. Davis introduced a bill

To Amend an act therein named

Mr Jones introduced a bill

To authorize the Citizens of Barbour County to distill a portion of their Corn

which Bills were Read twice and Referred to the Committee on Propositions and Grievances

Reports from Standing Committees

Mr Bemiss from the Military Committee to whom was Referred So much of the Governors Message as relates to Strengthening the Militia of the State,

Reported a bill To Amend the act to Re organize the Militia of the State of Alabama, approved August 29, 1863.

which was Read twice forthwith and ordered to a third Reading.

Mr Loveless from the Committee on Ways and Means, Reported favorably to the bill to fix the Pay of the Members of the General Assembly

which was read a third time and passed.

Mr Cooper from the Same Committee, Reported favorably to the bill

Authorizing an additional Clerk in the Treasury Department

which was Read a third time and passed.

Also, Reported favorably to the Bill For the Relief of S. M. Wofford of Fayette County

which was Read a third time and passed.

Mr Sanders from the Same Committee Reported adversely to the Bill To enable the Sick of Dale County to purchase Spirituous liquors

which Report was Concurred in.

Mr Cobb, from the Committee on Roads Bridges and Ferries Reported favorably to the Bill

To Amend Section 1169 of the Code

which was Read a third time and passed.

Mr Parsons from the Committee on the Judiciary, Reported favorably with an Amendment to the bill

To increase the fees now allowed by Law to the Jailer of Montgomery County which was read a third time and passed.

Also, Reported favorably to the bill, with an amendment
For the Relief of James Harrison
The Amendment was adopted the bill which was Read a third time and passed

Also, Reported favorably to the bill
To amend Judicial proceedings
which was Read a third time and passed.

Mr Dawson from the Same Committee Reported favorably to the bill
For the Relief of James E. Slater
which was Read a third time and passed.

Senate Bill
To change the jurisdiction of the Administration of the Estate of Bird Fitzpatrick deceased from Pike to Montgomery County.

Senate Bill
For the Relief of Martha Jane Neilson of Tuscaloosa County
which Bills were Read three times forthwith and passed

Senate Bill
To put it in the power of Soldiers from Alabama to vote in Congressional and Presidential Elections at any place they may be, at any such elections
which was Read twice and Referred to the Judiciary Committee

Mr Cobb introduced a Bill
For the protection of the Citizens of Fayette County
which was Read twice and Referred to the Committee on the Military

Mr Lewis introduced a Bill
To increase the fees of Certain Officers of Tuscaloosa County
which was read twice and

On motion of Mr Pfanzandt, was Made a general bill and Read a third time and passed.

Mr Clark introduced a Joint Resolution
In Relation to General Roddy and his Command.
which was read and adopted Unanimously.

Mr Chambers from the Committee to wait upon President Davis Reported that the Committee had discharged that duty, and that the President would visit the two Houses, to return his thanks at 1 O'Clock.
which Report was Concurred in.

Mr Chambers offered the following Resolution which was adopted:

Resolved,

That the Hon. B. H. Hill Confederate States Senator from the State of Georgia be invited to deliver an address upon the State of the Country, in the Hall of the House this evening at 8 O'Clock, and that a Committee of three be appointed by the Chair to communicate this invitation.

Messrs Chambers, Faucon and Sparks were appointed said Committee.

At 10 O'Clock, His Excellency President Davis was escorted into the Hall of the House by the Committee when he was welcomed by Mr Speaker Crawford on behalf of the General Assembly of Alabama. The President then addressed the two Houses and the audience present for over an hour on the condition of the Country.

House adjourned till 10 O'Clock, to-morrow Morning.

House of Representatives
Friday, September 30. 1864

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Dr A. L. P. Green of Nashville Tennessee

Call of the Counties.

Bills were introduced

By Mr Jones

To regulate the price of provisions &c

which was Read three times and Referred to the Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

By Mr Price

For the Relief of Richard F. Pope

By Mr Read

To increase the fees and Commissions of Certain officers therein named

which bills were read three times and Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr Cumming presented the petition of Wm Sasser Andrews and others

which was Referred to the Committee on the Military.

Reports from Standing Committees

Mr Bennett from the Military Committee Reported favorably to the bill from the Senate, Joint Resolution

In relation to the Second Class Militia and State Reserves

which was read a Second and third time and passed.

Also. Reported a bill declaring who Shall be exempt from Military duty in this State.

which Bill was read twice.

Mr Cooper ..... Moved to Strike out "35" and insert "40" when it occurs in the case of "physicians"

which Motion was lost.

Mr Price moved to amend by adding after the words "in the practice of their profession", the words "in this State"

On motion of Mr Robinson, the further Consideration of the bill was postponed till the passage of the bill "to Amend an act to reorganize the Militia of the State of Alabama" approved August 29. 1863.

Message from the Senate by Mr Morgan Assistant Secretary

Senate S.p. 30. 1864

Mr Speaker:

The Senate has originated and passed
Joint Resolution approving the Address of President Davis to the two Houses on the 29th September 1864
Has also originated and passed Bills,
To Require Trustees of Free Public Schools to take an Oath of office to be administered by the County Superintendents of Education, and for other purposes,
For the Relief of John S. Gardner of Bibb County

Message from the Governor by his Private Sec'y J. H. Judkins Jr:
in Response to the Resolution of the House requesting a Statement of the Account of Bonds Sold Since the last Session of the Legislature and at what price; and also, a Statement of the Account of State Treasury Notes put into Circulation issued under the Act of last Session

Engrossed Bill
To Amend an act to Re-organize the Militia of the State of Alabama approved August 29, 1863
was read a third time and passed and ordered forthwith to the Senate.

House resumed the Consideration of the bill
Declaring who shall be exempt from Military duty in this State.
add "and were residents of the State Jany 1, 1860
Mr Bradley moved to ~~strike out the Amendments~~
Mr Price accepted the Amendment,

Mr Cooper moved to Strike out "7" and insert "10" in the case of physicians.
which motion was lost.

Mr Cumming moved the following Amendment which was adopted,
Amend by adding after the words "in the practice of their profession",
the words, "but the term physicians shall not include dentists".

Mr Lewis offered the following Amendment which was adopted;
"The physician or Superintendent of the Hospital for Insane persons and his necessary Assistants not to exceed four in number?

Mr M. L. Davis offered the following Amendment which was adopted;
"Provided if there shall be less than five practising physicians in any one County, they shall be exempt Regardless of age?

On motion of Mr Sayles, the Vote by which Mr Price's Amendment was adopted, was reconsidered
And the House refused to adopt Said Amendment.

Mr Bryan Moved to Amend by inserting "35" and over that age in the Case of the Ministers of the Gospel.

Mr Cooper Moved to Amend Said Amendment by Striking out "35" and Insert "40"

Mr Manasco Moved to Lay Mr Cooper's Amendment on the table pending which

House adjourned till 10 O'Clock to-morrow Morning.

House of Representatives
Saturday October 1st 1864

House met pursuant to adjournment.
Prayer by the Rev Dr A. L P. Green of Nashville Tennessee—

The Message from the Governor in response to the Resolution of the House furnishing a Statement of the State Bonds Sold and State Treasury Notes put in Circulation since the last Session of the Legislature, was read and Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Call of the Counties

Bills were introduced

By Mr Williams
To Amend the Penal Code of Alabama
which was read twice.

On motion of Mr Cobb, Said bill was Amended by adding after the words "Negro man" the words, "or white man have Carnal Connection with a Negro woman"
and Referred to the Judiciary Committee

By Mr Taylor
To Amend the Admiralty law in this State
which was Read twice and Referred to the Judiciary Committee.

By Mr Cumming
To Render Certain persons Subject to Military Service.

By Mr Manasco
To provide for the defence of the State &C

By Mr Taylor
To define the duties of the 1st Class Militia.

which Bills were Severally Read twice and Referred to the Military Committee

By Mr Brooks
To increase the Compensation of the Members of the Commissioners Court of Pike County
which was Read twice and Referred to the Judiciary Committee—

Message from the Governor by his Private Secretary J. H. Jenkins Jr. which was in response to the Resolution of the House asking for a Statement of the exemptions which Message Covered a Report from H. P. Walsh Adjutant and Inspector General of the Names of the exempts.
Message was Read and Referred to the Military Committee

Message from the Senate by Mr Morgan its Secretary.

Mr Speaker,

The Senate has originated and passed the following Bills;

To provide for the Summary trial of Slaves in Certain Cases.
To equalize the price of Salt to the Indigent families of Soldiers in this State
To provide for the publication of Notices in legal proceedings
(To increase the Militia force of the State of Alabama and render the Militia more efficient,)
To increase the fees of Jailors
For the Relief of Charles L. Scott, Surviving partner &c

And has adopted

Joint Resolutions for the purchase of Stationery

and also adopted the following Resolutions;

Resolved, The House Concurring, that a Joint Committee of three from each House be appointed whose duty it Shall be to prepare and Report an address to the Soldiers of Alabama absent from the Army without leave, and appealing to them in proper terms to return to their places in the Ranks in this the trying Crisis of our Country and Cause and apprising them of the revocation of the President to receive without punishment all who Shall return voluntarily. Mrs Belcher Bulger & Rewis, Committee

Resolved by the Senate, the House Concurring, That a Committee of three be appointed on the part of each House, to Consider the propriety of holding the next Session of the General Assembly, on the Second Thursday of January next, and Report their action thereon.

Mr Chambers from the Military Committee Reported favorably with an Amendment to the Bill

To aid in arresting deserters and Stragglers from the Army

which Amendment was adopted.

Mr Bradley moved to Strike out Section 5 and insert,

"That when the people fail to elect officers, the Governor Shall appoint which appointee Shall be a Resident of that County and belong to the Class for which the appointment is Made."

which motion was Carried,

Mr Flannin moved to Amend as follows;

"Be it further enacted, That Beat and County Commissioners of County Returns be and are hereby required to report through the Governor of this State to the Conscript Bureau at Richmond, all inefficiency or Malpractice on the part of Enrolling Officers and their assistants in their respective Commands"

which was adopted.

On motion of Mr Barnes, the 1st Section was Amended by adding after the word, "this State", the words, "upon the terms herein after expressed"

Mr Moulton moved to Amend as follows, to Come at the end of Section 3;

Provided, That any Company, battalion or Regiment of the 1st Class Militia, now organized, May retain its present organization, and be under the Control and direction of the Governor and perform any Service required of this Class, by the act to which this is an Amendment

which was adopted.

Mr Bradley Moved to Amend as follows to Come in at the end of Section 5;

Provided, That the Appointee of the Governor Shall hold his office till the Reserves are Called into Service and have elected their own Commandant which they are hereby authorized to do.

Which was adopted.

Mr Medowell Moved to Amend as follows to Second proviso of Section 5;

Provided further, That the County Reserves which in actual Service Shall be entitled to the Same Rations and Pay as Soldiers of the Confederate Army.

Which was adopted.

Mr Leeper Moved to Amend but withdrew it by leave.

On Motion of Mr Moulton, the bill was Amended by Section 7 as follows;

Section 7. Be it further enacted, That the 61 Conf Militia Shall not be called out or used in any case except to repel invasion, enforcing the Conscript Laws, Suppress insurrection, arrest desertors and to enforce the Laws in their respective Counties.

Mr Bradley Moved to Recommit the bill with instructions to Report at 10 O' Clock Monday Morning

Which Motion was Lost.

The Bill was read a third time and passed.

Mr Lander from the Committee on Ways and Means reported a bill To Regulate the Collection of Taxes, and to provide for the exchange and funding of Confederate State Treasury Notes.

Which was read twice.

Mr Bethea Moved to postpone the bill till Monday next at 10½ O' Clock, and to Special Order for that hour and print 100 Copies

Which Motion was Lost.

On Motion of Mr Ogburne, the Evening Session then Suspended, to take up a Certain Message from H. Governor.

House then took up, a Message from the Governor enclosing a letter from Lieut General Richard Taylor in relation to the early Completion of the Railroad from Montgomery to Marion Springs

Which was Read and Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr Chapman from the Committee on Enrolled Bills reported the following Bills as Correctly enrolled;

An Act to regulate the fees of the Judge of Probate and County Commissioners of Lowndes County.

An act to Suspend An act protecting the Electric Franchise in the City of Mobile approved Dec 5. 1862

An act to Repeal An act Amending the City Charter of Montgomery approved Feby 15. 1856.

An act to incorporate the Citizens Water, Fruit and Nursery Company.

Mr Morgan offered the following which was adopted:

Resolved; That the Committee on Ways and Means be instructed to Report a bill Making An appropriation for the Support of the Indigent families of Soldiers in the Army of the Confederate States from the State of Alabama and in the Military Service of the State of Alabama.

Mr Medaxell offered the following which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Military affairs be and they are hereby instructed to enquire if any, and what reform Can be Made in reducing the Number of Officers in the Military Department of the State, and Report the Same by bill or otherwise.

Mr Bethea moved to adjourn till 10 O'Clock Monday Morning

which Motion was Lost.

On motion of Mr Sawyer.

House adjourned till 4 P. M.

Afternoon Session.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr Bethea moved to take up the Military Exemption Bill

which motion was Lost.

House resumed the Consideration of the bill

To Regulate the Collection of Taxes and to provide for the exchange and funding of Confederate States Treasury Notes

Mr Bethea moved to postpone the bill and Make it special Order for 10 O'Clock Monday next.

Which Motion was Lost

Ayes 31

Nays 37

Those who voted in the Affirmative are Messrs; Speaker, G. H. Ashe, Ashurst, Atkinson, Beard, Bethea, Bishop, Bradley, Brandon, Bryan, Carlisle, Chastain, Clark, Cumming, M. L. Davis, Francis, Graves, Hood, Hobbs, Kilpatrick Manning, Merrick, Medaxell, John G. Moore, McClelland, C. A. Parker, Price, Read, Tenbe, White and Wolff - 31

Those who voted in the Negative are Messrs; Bell, Bozeman, Brooke, Chandler, Cobb, Coleman, Cox, Dawson, Earl, Elmore, Ellis, Foster, Gardner, Greathouse, Hinard, Jemison, Keenan, Sawyer, Leeper, Magee, Malone, John Moore, Morrow, Mullins, McCain, McInnis, McLemore, Ogburn, E. S. C. Parker, Parsons, Ryan, Sims, Sykes, Taylor, Vaughan, Vincent, and Weldon - 37.

Mr Taylor offered the following Amendment which was adopted:
Amend Section 1 by providing
Provided, That the Tax Collectors Shall pay over to the State all Collections by them in the same kind of funds received without exchanging the Same for other funds; and any Tax Collector who Shall violate this provision Shall be guilty of a Misdemeanor and on Conviction Shall be fined not less than $500 and not more than $5000,

Mr Black moved to amend by adding to Said Proviso,
"Unless prevented by the acts of the public enemy or the danger of travelling to the Capital"
which was lost,

On motion of Mr Jones, the bill was amended as follows:
That the Secretary of State Shall notify the Several Tax Collectors of this State of the passage of this act; and the Governor be requested to have this act published in every Newspaper in the State one time,

Mr Lawler offered the following Amendment as Section 4:
Be it further enacted, That the provisions of this act regulating the Collection of taxes due the State Shall also apply to taxes due the Several Counties of this State; and it Shall be the duty of Tax Collectors to pay into the County Treasury of their respective Counties by the 5th December next, the full Amount of the old issue of Treasury Notes which may be in their hands at that date,

Mr Grimes moved to Amend Said Amendment by adding the words:
"And that the State and County treasurers are not authorized to pay over the old Treasury notes after the 1st of December
which was lost and

Mr Lawler's Amendment was adopted.

On motion of Mr Price, the Bill was amended before the proviso in the 2nd Section as follows:
"Being paid in Such exchange, the Notes of the denomination of One Hundred dollars"

Mr Berner moved to Amend as follows
Provided That if the Exchange Cannot be effected, of the new issue for the old, the State and County Treasurers are hereby authorized to deposit the old issue with the Depositories and receive Certificates therefor, and to collect the Said Certificates in new issue when it Can be had.
which was adopted.

On Motion of Mr McDonnell, the bill was amended by engrafting upon it as follows:
Provided That the State and County Treasurers Shall receive Treasury Notes of the Confederate States except $100 bills, dated prior to the 17th Feby 1864, at 66⅔ Cents on the dollar; the bills of the denomination less than $5 Shall be received at their Nominal value:

Bill was read a third time and passed.

Message from the Senate by Mr Morgan

Senate October 1. 1864

Mr Speaker:

The Senate has originated and passed a bill

To increase the Medical force of the State of Alabama

and to render the Medical Men efficient

Senate Bill

To equalize the price of Salt to the Indigent families

of Soldiers in this State

was read three times forthwith and passed.

Have Concurred in the Senate Resolution for the appointment of a Joint Committee to prepare an address to the Soldiers from Alabama absent without leave from the Army of the Confederate States,

Messrs Chamberlain, Clark and Taylor on the Committee on the part of the House,

House adjourned till 10 O'Clock Monday Morning.

House of Representatives
Monday October 3rd 1864

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev Mr Bell of the House of Representatives.

Mr Lawler moved to suspend the Call of the Counties in order to take up Boundry Resolutions looking to Peace and refer them to a Special Committee, including Senate Resolutions in relation to the War

Mr C. A. Parker moved to amend Said Motion by also taking up the Senate Militia bills,

On motion of Mr Medowell, Said Motions were laid on the table.

Yeas 45
Nays 32

Those who voted in the affirmative are, Messrs Speaker, Armstrong, Atkinson, Beard, Bowen, Bolton, Brooks, Bryan, Byers, Carlisle, Chambers, Chapman, Coleman, Cox, Cumming, M. L. Davis, Dawson, Ellis, Foster, Gafford, Gardner, Graves, Hall, Howard, Jones, Keener, Kilpatrick, Magee, May, Medowell, John Moore, John G. Moore, Medowell, Minter, McInnis, McClelland, Parish, C. A. Parker, Price, Read, Robinson Ryan, Taylor, Tombs, Williams and Wolff - 45

Those who voted in the Negative are, Messrs G. W. Ashe, Bell, Bishop, Bradley, Brandon, Chastain, Clarke, Cooper, Cook, Connell, Francis, Greatham, Head, Jacobs, Lesley, Lewis, Leger, Malone, Mangum, Morrick, Morrow, McCain, McLemore, Osborne, Col. F. S. C. Parker, Parsons, Sims, Sykes, Vaughan, Vincent and White - 32.

Message from the Senate by Mr Morgan Asst. Secretary.

Senate Oct 3. 1864

Mr Speaker

The Senate has originated and passed bills,

For the Relief of Miss Isabella Canada of Jacksonville County
To explain and amend an act to Reorganize the Militia of the State of Alabama approved August 29, 1863.
To amend an act to provide Support for the indigent families of Soldiers in the Army of the Confederate States from the State of Alabama approved November 2, 1864

And passed House Bills
For the Relief of James E. Slaten of Mobile County
To increase the fees now allowed the Jailer of Montgomery County
For the Relief of Samuel H. Dooley of Marengo County

To increase the fees of the Sheriffs of Mobile County
For the Relief of James Harrison
For the Relief of S. J. T. Mackey
To Change the Names of Mary Eliza Gardner and John Clemens Gardner to Kelsoe.

And passed House Joint Resolutions
In relation to Genl Roddey and his Command.

Message from the Governor by J. Hinjosa for his Private Secretary:

Mr Speaker,

His Excellency the Governor has approved the bills which originated in the House of Representatives of the following titles;

To Regulate the fees of the Probate Judge and County Commissioners of Lowndes County

To incorporate the Gilmerth Mining Manufacturing and Mercantile Company

To Repeal an act Amending the City Charter of Montgomery approved Feby 18. 1856.

Call of the Counties.

Bills were introduced

By Mr Foster

To pay the Members and officers of the General Assembly at the present Session

By Mr. Morehead

To suspend an act providing the Electoral franchise in the City of Mobile approved Dec 1861

By Mr Bethea

To pay for Servant Hire during the present Session

which were read three times forthwith and passed.

By Mr May

For the Relief of the estate of James W. Hardy

which was Read twice and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

By Mr Head

To provide for the arrest of deserters and Bounty jumpers

By Mr Mcdonell

To suspend the Militia laws of this State

which was severally Read twice and Referred to the Military Committee

By Mr Sims

In reference to the distillation of Chinese Sugar Cane and Sorghum Saccharum

which was Read twice—

Mr Reid moved to refer the bill to the Committee on Ways and Means which Motion was Lost.

On motion of Mr Graves the bill was Amended as follows
Provided that Nothing in this act Contained Shall authorize the distillation of the Sugar or juice of Said Canes or either of them hereafter to be raised, and any person distilling the Sugar or juice of Said Canes or either of them Shall be liable on Conviction to all the fines and penalties provided by law against persons illegally distilling Cotton or other grains.

Bill was read a third time and passed.

Senate Message.

Senate bill
To increase the Militia force of the State of Alabama and render the Militia more efficient.
was Read twice
On motion, the ~~House~~ Mr Manasco, the bill was laid on the table

Ayes 57
Nays 16

Those who voted in the Affirmative are Messrs; Speaker, Armstrong, G. W. Ashe, Beard, Bell, Bishop, Bradley, Brandon, Bryan, Bryan, Chapman, Charlton, Clark, Coleman, Cox, Cumming, M. L. Curtis, J. W. Davis, Davison, Dent, Donnell, Gaffford, Gardner, Graves, Greathouse, Hall, Hall, Howard, Lacaba, Lewis, Ligon, Malone, Manasco, Merrick, John G. Moore, Morrow, Nicholson, McCain, McClelland, Oglesby, Orr, Parish, C. A. Parker, E. S. C. Parker, Parsons, Ryan, Sims, Sykes, Tarver, Vanzandt, White and Wolff—52

Those who voted in the Negative are Messrs; Bettis, Brooks, Chandler, Faucett, Foster, Jones, Keenan, Kilpatrick, Lesher, Mayer, May, Medaris, John Moore, McInnis, Price, Reed, Taylor, Vincent and Williams—16.

Mr Parsons moved to reconsider Said vote and to lay his Motion on the table
which Motion was Carried.

Senate Joint Resolution
Approving the address of President Davis to the two Houses on the 29th September 1864
was Read and adopted.

Senate Bills,
For the Relief of John D. Gardner of Bibb County
Joint Resolution for the purchase of Stationery
To Relase Charles L. Scott Executor Powers of the late firm of Goin and Scott of Marengo County
For the Relief of Miss Isabella Lincoln of Tuscaloosa County
was Read three times passed and passed.

The roll on the last mentioned bill was

Yeas 73.
Nays —

Those who voted in the affirmative are Nays: Speaker, Armstrong, G. W. Ashe, Beard, Bell, Benson, Bishop, Bradley, Brandon, Brick, Bryan, Chambers, Chapman, Charlton, Clark, Coleman, Cooper, Cox, Cumming, M. L. Davis, Dawson, Dent, Dowdell, Ellis, Fleming, Foster, Gafford, Gardner, Grace, Greathouse, Head, Hollis, Howard, Jones, J. Kenan, Kilpatrick, Lamar, Leiper, Lewis, Ligon, Magee, Malone, Manasco, May, Merrick, Medaris, John Moore, John G. Moore, Mooren, Morton, McCain, McInnis, McKellar, McLemore, Ogburn, Orr, Parish, C. A. Parker, E. S. C. Parker, Parsons, Price, Read, Ryan, Sims, Speir, Taylor, Tarbox, Tanzadle, Vincent, Webb, Williams, and Wolff—73.

Senate bills

To provide for the publication of Notice in legal proceedings.

For the Summary trial of Slaves in Certain Capital Cases

were read twice and Referred to the Judiciary Committee

Senate bill

To Require Trustees of Free Public Schools to take an Oath of Office to be administered by the County Superintendent of Education and for other purposes.

was Read twice and Referred to the Committee on Education

Senate bill

To increase the fees of Jailors

was Read twice,

Mr Ogburn Moved to amend as follows which was adopted,

Provided this act Shall not be Construed So as to Repeal any Special Act in relation to Jailors' fees passed at this Session

Mr Speir Moved to amend as follows

That the Salaries of the Secretary of State, Treasurer of St. State and Comptroller, be increased Solicitor and Attorney General, be increased 50 per Cent.

On motion of Mr Bell the bill and Amendments were Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

Senate bills,

To explain and Amend An act to Reorganize the Militia of the State of Alabama approved August 29, 1863,

To Amend an act to provide support for the Indigent families of Soldiers in the Army of the Confederate States from the State of Alabama, approved November 12, 1862

were Read twice and Referred to the Military Committee

House Referred to Concur in the Senate Resolution to appoint a Joint Committee to Report on the propriety of holding the next Session of the Legislature on the 2nd Thursday in January next

House "Militia" Bill came up as one of the General Orders. The question being on the Motion of Mr Manness to lay Mr Cooper's Motion to strike out "35" and insert "44" in Mr Bryan's Amendment, on the table.

By leave, Mr Manness withdrew his Motion to lay on the table.

Mr Betton moved to lay the Motion of Messrs Bryan and Cooper on the table which was carried.

Yeas 44
Nays 26

Those who voted in the Affirmative are Messrs Speaker, Armstrong, G. W. Ashe, T. P. Ashe, Atkinson, Bell, Benson, Betton, Bishop, Bradley, Brandon, Carlisle, Chambers, Chapman, Charlton, Cox, Cumming, Dancy, Dail, Dowell, Gardner, Green, Grantham, Howard, Keenan, Kilpatrick, Lander, Leeper, Ligon, Manness, Merrick, Medaniel, John Moore, John G. Moore, McInnis, McLennan, Orr, C. A. Parker, E. S. C. Parker, Parsons, Sears, Sinclair, Vanzandt and Vincent—44.

Those who voted in the Negative are Messrs Brooks, Bryan, Clark, Cooper, M. S. Davis, Flanner, Gaffney, Green, Head, Hollis, Jones, Kluge, Malone, May, Morrow, McLelland, Ogburn, Parish, Price, Reed, Ryan, Sykes, Taylor, White, Williams & Wolff—26

House adjourned till 10 O'Clock to-morrow Morning.

House of Representatives
Tuesday October 4. 1864

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev Mr McTyeire of this City

Call of the Counties.

Bills were introduced,

By Mr Cobb

To Regulate Judicial proceedings

which was Read twice and Referred to the Judiciary Committee

By Mr M. L. Davis.

To provide for the publication and distribution of the Acts of the present Session.

Also,

In relation to the distribution of Cotton and Wool Cards

By Mr Hollis.

Explanatory of An act therein named,

By Mr ~~Hollis~~ Osborne

Relating to the election of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Montgomery

which bills were severally Read the first time forthwith and passed.

Mr Bryan offered Joint Resolution

Of thanks to Gen N. B. Forrest

which was Read and adopted—

Mr T. P. Ashe presented a Memorial

Which was Referred to the Military Committee.

Reports from Standing Committees.

Mr Barnes from the Military Committee Reported adversely, it being a Subject properly belonging to Congress.

Report was Concurred in

Also favorably with Amendment, to the bill for the protection of the citizens of Fayette County.

Which Amendment was adopted, the bill Read a third time and passed—

Mr Parsons from the Judiciary Committee, Reported favorably with an Amendment to the bill

To provide with clerks for certain offices, therein named

which Amendment was adopted and the bill as a third time and passed.

Also favorably to the bill

For the Relief of Richard H. Pope

which was Read a third time and passed.

Also favorably to the bill

For the Relief of certain Judicial officers in Marion County

which was Read a third time and passed,

Also favorably to the bill

In Relation to Executors, Administrators, Guardians and Trustees

which was Read a third time and passed.

Mr Clark from the same Committee Reported favorably with an Amendment, to the bill,

To increase the fees and Commissions of certain Officers,

which Amendment was adopted and the bill read a third time and passed.

Also favorably to the bill

For the Relief of Solicitors' families in Barbour County,

which was Read a third time and passed.

Also favorably to the bill,

For the Relief of B. W. Starke, Judge of Probate of Coffee County,

which Bill was Read a third time and passed-

Mr Taylor from the same Committee Reported favorably to the bill,

To Amend the Admiralty laws of this State,

which was Read a third time and passed.

Also favorably to the bill

To provide for the Settlement of estates,

which Report was Concurred in

Mr Dawson from the same Committee Reported favorably to the bill

Authorizing the Settlement of the estate of Maj Beavers

in the Probate Court of Talladega County,

which was Read a third time and passed.

Also favorably to the bill

To Amend Section 1929 of the Code

which was Read a third time and passed-

Mr Cumming from the Same Committee Reported favorably with an Amendment to the bill

To remove the Administration of the estate of Henry C. White deceased from Clarke to Marengo County

Which Amendment was adopted, the bill read a third time and passed

Also, Reported a Substitute for the Joint Resolution proposing to Amend the Constitution so as to allow Soldiers to vote.

On motion of Mr Chapman, the Substitute was amended by adding after the word "Members", the words "of the Legislature and of Congress"

Substitute was adopted and Read a third time and passed.

Mr Chapman from the Same Committee Reported adversely to the bill

To Constitute Margaret Hodges a free dealer.

Which Report was Concurred in

Also, favorably to the bill to

To increase the Compensation of the Members of the Commissioners Court of Pike County

Which bill was Read a third time and passed.

Mr Lassiter from the Committee on Ways and Means, Pursuant to a Resolution of Instructions Reported a bill

Making An appropriation to aid the Indigent families of Soldiers in the Military Service from the State of Alabama

Which was Read twice

Mr Foster moved to amend by way of proviso to Section 1 as follows which was adopted;

Provided, There Shall be no discrimination against the Indigent families who work to support themselves; but those who work Shall have their full pro rata Share

Mr Cumming moved to amend by adding at the end of Section 4 as follows:

"Or to issue State Treasury Notes to supply Said deficiency redeemable at the option of the State either in Treasury Notes of the Confederate States or in bonds of the State bearing a rate of interest not to exceed five per Centum per Annum redeemable at the pleasure of the State."

Said Amendment was Amended

On Motion of Mr Cooper by adding

"Said Bonds not having exceeding 20 years to run.

Amendment as Amended was then adopted.

Yeas 61

Nays 7.

Those who voted in the Affirmative are Messrs Shanks, Armstrong, G. W. Ashe, Ashcraft, Atkinson, Beard, Bell, Bishop, Bradley, Brandon, Brooks, Bryan, Cantrell, Chambers, Chapman, Charlton, Clark, Cobb, Coleman, Cooper, Cox, Cumming, J. W. Davis, M. L. Davis, Dawson, Dent, Dowdell, Ellis, Gardner, Green, Greathouse, Green, Hollis, Howard, Keenan, Kilpatrick, Lawler, Leper, Lewis, Logan, Malone, Manasco, May, Merrick, Micdowell, John Moore, Morrow, McCain, McInnis, McLelland, Ogburn, Orr, Parish, E. S. C. Parker, Parsons, Reid, Ryan, Sykes, Tarver, Taylor, Vincent, White and Williams—61

Those who voted in the Negative are Messrs Benners, Bethea, Franklin, Magee, C. A. Parker, Price and Wolff—7

On Motion of Mr Chambers, the bill was amended by additional Section No 6 as follows,

Section 6. Be it further enacted, That if any person or persons shall forge or falsely alter any note, bond or Coupon issued by virtue of this act or shall utter or attempt to pass any forged or altered note, bond or Coupon purporting to be issued in pursuance of this act knowing such note, bond or Coupon to have been forged or altered, such person or persons shall be guilty of forgery in the first degree and upon Conviction thereof shall suffer the pains and penalties now affixed by law for forgery in the first degree.

Which was adopted,

On Motion of Mr Parsons, the bill was amended as follows,

Provided, The Treasury Notes issued under this act shall be receivable in payment of all public dues to this State.

On Motion of Mr Sykes, it was Amended by additional Section as Section 5.

Section 5. Be it further enacted That when any part of the Same is paid out in Confederate Treasury Notes, the said Notes shall not be dated prior to the 17th February 1864 except bills of a less denomination than $5.

Mr Bradley offered the following Amendment, ~~which was lost~~

And that the Coupons on said Bonds be payable in Confederate Treasury Notes or Treasury Notes of the State of Alabama or in Current Bank Notes of the State of Alabama whichever may be the Currency at the time said Coupons are due.

Mr Price moved to Amend said Amendment by striking out the words "Notes and insert "Current funds at the time of said payment of Coupons" which Motion was Lost

The question recurred on Mr Bradley's Amendment which was lost.

The Bill was Read a third time and passed,

Yeas 65
Nays 2

Those who voted in the Affirmative are Messrs Shanks, G. W. Ashe, Ashcraft, Bell, Benners, Bishop, Bradley, Brandon, Brooks, Bryan, Cantrell, Chambers, Chapman, Charlton, Clark, Cobb, Coleman, Cooper, Cox, Cumming, J. W. Davis, M. L. Davis, Dawson, Con-

Ellis, Fannin, Foster, Gardner, Graves, Green, Howard, Keenan, Kilpatrick, Lacoste, Leper, Ligon, Morgan, Nolan, Ransom, Ray, Murdock, Mardenell, John Moore, John G. Moore, Morrow, Moulton, McCabe, McInnis, McLemore, Ogburne, Orr, Parish, C.A. Parker, E.L.C. Parker, Parsons, Price, Reed, Robertson, Ryan, Sykes, Towles, Vanzandt, Vincent, White and Williams — 65

Those who voted in the Negative are Messrs Armstrong and Bethea — 2

Message from the Senate by Mr Morgan.

Senate Oct 4. 1864

Mr Speaker.

The Senate has Originated and passed the following bills.

To authorize Francisco Rice and Mrs H. Robinson to draw Certain funds due the Indigent families of Sabetha in Jackson County

To Regulate the fees of the Judge of Probate of Chambers County

To Confer jurisdiction on the Probate Court of Coosa County for a Certain purpose.

For the Relief of Mrs M. Bagley Tax asessor of Jefferson County

To Create an Ordnance Officer and to provide for the Sale of useless Ordnance and Quartr Master Stores.

House adjourned till 4 P. M.

Afternoon Session

House met pursuant to adjournment

Mr Lawler from the Committee on Ways and Means reported adversely to the bill

To increase the Salaries of the Judges of the Chancery and Circuit Courts of this State

which Report was Concurred in.

Mr C. A. Parker from the Committee on Propositions and Grievances Reported adversely to the bill

To amend an act therein named.

which Bill and Report was laid on the table.

Mr McInnis from the Same Committee reported adversely to the Bill

To authorize the Citizens of Barbour County to divide a portion of their County

which Report was Concurred in.

Mr Chapman from the Committee on Enrolled Bills Reported the following as Correctly enrolled.

An act To increase the fees now allowed the Jailer of Montgomery County.

An act to increase the fees of the Sheriff of Marshall County

An act for the Relief of Sergeant H. Dudley of Monroe County

An act for the Relief of S. J. T. Whatley

An act for the Relief of James Harrison

An act to change the Names of Mary Eliza Gardner and John Clement Gardner to Nelson.

An act for the Relief of James E. Slater of Marshall County

Joint Resolution in relation to Gen Ruddy and his Command.

Senate Message

Senate bills.

For the Relief of William M. Bagley Sen Agent of Jefferson County

To confer Jurisdiction on the Probate Court of Coosa County for a certain purpose

To authorize Francisco Rios and Wm H Robinson to draw certain funds due the Indigent families of Soldiers in Jackson County.

To Regulate the fees of the Judge of Probate of Chambers County

Were Read the three times forthwith and passed.

Senate Bill

To create an Ordnance Office and to provide for the Sale of Useless Ordnance and Quarter Master Stores

was Read three times and Referred to the Military Committee

Mr Bettis introduced a bill

For the benefit of the Wayside Home in the City of Montgomery

which was Read three

On motion of Mr C. A. Parker, the blank was filled with $10.000.

Bill was then Read a third time and passed.

Yeas 67
Nays 0-

~~Those who voted in the Affirmative are Mess~~ *

Mr Parsons offered the following Resolution

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Alabama in General Assembly Convene

That the two Houses of the General Assembly will adjourn without a day on Thursday next 6th instant at 12. M.

Mr C. A. Parker moved to lay the Resolution on the table which motion was lost.

And the Resolution was adopted

Mr Cooper from the Committee on Internal Improvements Reported a Substitute for the bill

To extend the time for the Completion of Railroads in this State

On motion of Mr Parsons, the Bill and Substitute were Referred to the Judiciary Committee

Mr Chambers from the Committee on Confederate Relations, asked to be discharged from the further Consideration of Joint Resolution

Maintaining the privilege of the Writ of Habeas Corpus,

Said Committee was discharged.

Mr Clarke offered a Substitute for said Joint Resolution.

Mr Chambers moved to lay the Substitute on the table which Motion was lost

Yeas ~~14~~ 22
Nays ~~20~~ 47

* Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs Atkinson, Beard, Bettis, Brooks, Bryan, Bry Byars, Chambers, Chapman, M. L. Davis, Dawson, Ellis, Francis, Kilpatrick, May, John Moore, John G. Moore, Parish, C. A. Parker, Price, Read, Ryan and Towles— 22.

Those who voted in the Negative are Messrs Speake, Stanford, Bell, Bowden, Boyd, Boyett, Boyles, Brantley, Bulger, Carlisle, Chandler, Clark, Cox, Cooper, Crenshaw, Fredrick, Gaffney, Gayle, Graves, Hall, Hankins, Harris, Kennon, Kilpatrick, Lamkin, Lee, Lyon, Manning, McAdory, McClellan, McDaniel, McDonald, McKee, Meadows, Moore, Morgan, Mullins, Oates, Parish, C. A. Parker, Price, Read, Ryan, Sayre, Smith, Stanton, Taylor, Tomlinson, Vaughan, Vincent, Walker, Williams and Wolff— 67

Those who voted in the Negative are Messrs Speaker, Armstrong, G. W. Ashe, Blount, Bell, Bowers, Bishop, Bradley, Brandon, Carlisle, Charlton, Clark, Cobb, Cooper, Cox, Cumming, Dail, Donnell, Foster, Gardner, Green, Grantham, Greene, Hood, Hollis, Keenan, Lander, Leeper, Logan, Magee, Marler, Manness, Merrick, Medaniel, Morrow, Moseley, McCabe, McInnis, McLelland, Orr, E. & C. Parker, Parsons, Sykes, Taylor, Terrell, Vincent, and White—47

Those who voted in the Negative are Messrs:

Substitute was adopted

Question recurred on the adoption of the Resolutions as amended and they were adopted.

Yeas 60
May 10,

Those who voted in the Affirmative are Messrs Speaker, Armstrong, G. W. Ashe, Ashworth, Atkinson, Beard, Bell, Bowers, Bishop, Bradley, Brandon, Bryan, Byers, Carlisle, Chapman, Charlton, Clark, Cobb, Cooper, Cox, Cumming, Dawson, Dail, Donnell, Fanning, Foster, Gardner, Green, Grantham, Greene, Head, Hollis, Keenan, Kilpatrick, Lander, Leeper, Logan, Magee, Manness, Merrick, Medaniel, John Moore, John G. Moore, Morrow, Moulton, McInnis, McLelland, McLemore, Ogburn, Orr, Parish, E. & C. Parker, Parsons, Price, Sykes, Taylor, Terrell, Vincent and White—60.

Those who voted in the Negative are Messrs, Bettis, Brooks, Chambers, M. L. Davis, Ellis, May, C. A. Parker, Read, Ryan and Towles—10,

Ordered forthwith to the Senate.

Bill declaring who shall be exempt from Military Service in this State

was taken up.

Mr Sykes moved to strike out "the police and five companies of Mobile, Montgomery and Selma"

Mr Cooper called for a division and

The question was first taken on striking out Police which motion was lost.

The question was then taken on striking out the five Companies which motion was also lost.

Mr. C. A. Parker moved to amend by striking out "Montgomery and Selma"

which on motion of Mr Bradley was laid on the table

On motion of Mr Sawtelle the House Reconsidered the Second reading by which the Bill

Making an appropriation to aid in the Support of the Indigent families of Soldiers &c

was passed and also ordered to a third Reading.

On motion of Mr Sawtelle, Said Bill was then Amended as follows:

Strike out in the 4th Section, the words "Provided that the State Shall have the right to redeem Said Bonds at its pleasure"

and insert,

"Redeemable at the pleasure of the State"

Amend the 7th Section by inserting after the word "Bonds" in the 2nd line "or Legal Tender Notes"

Message from the Senate by Mr Morgan

Senate October 4. 1864

Mr Speaker

The Senate has Originated and passed Joint Resolutions

In Regard to the proceeding of Congress for the Indigent families of Soldiers

House adjourned till 10 O' Clock to-morrow Morning.

House of Representatives
Wednesday October 5. 1864

House met pursuant to adjournment.
Prayer by the Rev. J. C. Davis of this City.

Call of the Counties.

Bills were introduced

By Mr John G. Moore
For the Relief of Maimed Indigent Soldiers.

By Mr Modawell.
To authorize Anderson Orr and A. M. Ligon to receive funds due Soldiers' families in Franklin County.
Which was Read three times forthwith and passed.

By Mr Donnell
For the Relief of Thomas W. Hines Tax Collector of Limestone County.
Which was Read three times forthwith and passed.

Yeas 74
Nays 0

Those who voted in the affirmative are Mess: Speaker, Armstrong, J. P. Ashe, Ashcraft, Atkinson, Beard, Bell, Benson, Bethea, Bishop, Bradley, Brandon, Brooks, Bryan, Byers, Carlisle, Chambers ~~Bill making appropriation to aid in the support of the families of Indigent Soldiers in this State~~, Chapman, Charlton, Clarke, Cobb, Coleman ~~Read~~ Cox, Cumming, J. M. Davis, M. L. Davis, Dawson, Kent, Donnell, Ellis, Foster, Gifford, Gardner, Green, Greathouse, Greene, Head, Hollis, Howard, Jones, Kennon, Kilpatrick, Lander, Leeper, Ligon, Magee, Malone, Manasco, May, Merrick, Modawell, John Moore, Jno G. Moore, Morrow, Mosteller, McCain, McInnis, McLellan, McLemore, Orr, Parish, C. A. Parker, E. S. C. Parker, Parsons, Price, Read, Ryan, Sayers, Taylor, Towles, Vaughn, Vincent, White and Williams — 74.

Bill making appropriation to aid in the support of the indigent families of Soldiers in this State
was Read a ~~third~~ time and passed —

Yeas 73.
Nays 0.

Those who voted in the Affirmative are Mess: Speaker, Armstrong, G. W. Ashe, J. P. Ashe, Ashcraft, Atkinson, Beard, Bell, Benson, Bethea, Bishop, Bradley, Brandon, Brooks, Bryan, Byers, Carlisle, Chambers, Chapman, Charlton, Clarke, Cobb, Coleman, Cox, Cumming, J. M. Davis, M. L. Davis, Dawson, Donnell, Ellis, Franklin, Foster, Gifford, Green, Greathouse, Greene, Head, Hollis, Howard, Jones, Kennon, Kilpatrick, Lander, Leeper, Leech, Ligon, Magee, Malone, Manasco, May, Merrick, Modawell, Jno Moore, Jno G. Moore, Morrow, Mosteller, McCain, McInnis, McLellan, McLemore, Orr, Parish, C. A. Parker, E. S. C. Parker, Parsons, Price, Read, Ryan, Sayers, Towles, Vaughn, Vincent, Williams and Wolff — 73.

Mr Speaker laid before the House a Communication from Capt. W. M. Gillespie
which was Read and Referred to the Committee on Propositions and Grievances—

Message from the Senate by Mr Morgan.

Senate Oct 5th 1864

Mr Speaker.

The Senate has passed House bills,

To authorize the Governor to Rescind certain Contracts therein named

To pay Servant hire during the present Session of the General Assembly.

To suspend an act to protect the Elective franchise in Municipal election in the City of Mobile approved Dec 6. 1861.

And Amended and passed as therein Shewn
House bill

To authorize an additional Clerk in the Treasury Department and for other purposes.

Also, originated and passed a bill

To Regulate the Treasury Department of the State of Alabama.

Message from the Governor by J. M. Judkins Private Secretary;

His Excellency the Governor has approved the bills and Joint Resolutions which originated in the House of Representatives of the following titles,

An act for the Relief of S. J. T. Mabry—
An act to increase the fees of the Sheriff of Mobile County,
An act for the Relief of Saml H. Dadley of Monroe County
An act to increase the fees now allowed the Judge of Montgomery County,
Joint Resolution in Relation to Genl Roddey and his Command
An act for the Relief of James Hamilson
An act for the Relief of James E. Slater of Mobile County,
I also herewith Return to the House of Representatives in which it originated, without the approval of the Governor and with his objections thereto, a bill to change the Names of Mary Elisa Gardner and John Clement Gardner to Nelson

Reports from Standing Committees

Mr Chapman from the Judiciary Committee Reported favorably to the Substitute to the bill

To extend the time for the Completion of Railroads in this State

which was Read a third time and Passed—

Mr Parsons from the Same Committee Reported adversely to the bill
For the Relief of James M. Hardy
which Report was Concurred in.

Mr Chapman from the Same Committee Reported, adversely to the bill
To Change the Names of Certain persons therein named
which Report was Concurred in.

Senate Joint Resolutions
In Regard to procuring Corn for the Indigent families of Soldiers
were Read ~~and passed~~ three times and adopted.

Mr Lawler from the Committee on Ways and Means Reported favorably to the Bill
To increase the Pay of Jailors with the proviso adopted by the House but rejecting the amendment to increase the Salaries of certain officers therein named
which was Read a third time and passed.

Mem. favorably to the bill
To increase the Salaries of Certain State officers.
which was Read a third time and passed

Yeas 67
Nays 7

Those who voted in the Affirmative are Messrs Speaker, Armstrong, G. W. Ashe, T. P. Ashe, Atherton, Beard, Bell, Bennett, Bethea, Bishop, Bradley, Brooks, Bryan, Bryan, Carlisle, Chandler, Chapman, Charlton, Clarke, Cobb, Cox, Cumming, M. L. Davis, Dawson, Ellis, Faircloth, Foster, Gardner, Graves, Greathouse, Green, Head, Hollis, Howard, Jones, Keaton, Kilpatrick, Lander, Leary, Lewis, Logan, Magee, Manning, Mann, Merrick, Mordecai, John Moore, Jno G. Moore, Moulton, McCabe, McInnis, McLellan, McLemore, Ogburne, Chas Parish, C. A. Parker, E. S. C. Parker, Price, Ryan, Sykes, Taylor, Turner, Van Zandt, White, Williams and Wolff - 67

Those who voted in the Negative are Messrs Ashcraft, Brandon, Davis, Gaffney, Malone, Merrell, Parsons, Read and Vincent - 9.

Mr Bethea from the Same Committee Reported a Bill
To make a Loan to the Confederate States to Complete the Railroad from Thomasville to Blakes Springs.
which was Read twice.

Mr Read moved to Amend as follows:

Provided, also if $450,000 be insufficient to finish the said Railroad, the County of Montgomery and other Counties through which said Railroad Contemplated to be built shall advance in due time, the deficiency, upon the Same Securities embraced in this bill
which Amendment was Lost.

And the bill was Read a third time and Took not Receiving the two thirds vote required by the Constitution.

Yeas 64
Nays 8

Those who voted in the Affirmative are Messrs Speaker Armstrong, G. W. Ashe, T. P. Ashe, Ashcraft, Beard, Bell, Bethea, Bradley, Brandon, Brooks, Bryan, Bryer, Carlisle, Chambers, Chapman, Charlton, Cox, Cumming, J. N. Davis, M. L. Davis, Dent, Donnell, Ellis, Fauntleroy, Foster, Gaffard, Gardner, Green, Grantham, Green, Heard, Hollis, Howard, Jones, Keenan, Kilpatrick, Leeper, Lewis, Ligon, Magee, Manness, May, Merrick, Medaniell, John Moore, Moulton, McInnis, McClellan, McLaurin, Ogburn, Orr, Parish, C. A. Parker, E. & C. Parker, Reed, Ryan, Taylor, Towles, Vanzandt, Vincent, White and Williams—64.

Those who voted in the Negative are Messrs: Bennett, Clarke, Cobb, Coleman, Malone, J. G. Moore, Morrow, and Wolff—8.

On Motion of Mr Clark, Said vote was reconsidered.

Bill was Read a third time again and failed to pass by a two thirds vote

Yeas 59
Nays 12

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs Speaker, Armstrong, G. W. Ashe, Ashcraft, Beard, Bell, Bethea, Bishop, Bradley, Brooks, Bryan, Bryer, Carlisle, Chambers, Chapman, Charlton, Cooper, Cox, Cumming, M. L. Davis, Dawson, Donnell, Ellis, Fauntleroy, Foster, Gaffard, Gardner, Green, Grantham, Green, Heard, Hollis, Howard, Jones, Keenan, Kilpatrick, Leeper, Lewis, Magee, Manness, May, Merrick, Medaniell, John Moore, Moulton, McCabe, McClellan, Ogburn, Parish, C. A. Parker, E. & C. Parker, Reed, Ryan, Sykes, Taylor, Towles, Vincent, White and Williams—59.

Those who voted in the Negative are Messrs Atkinson, Bennett, Brandon, Clarke, Cobb, Coleman, Malone, John G. Moore, Morrow, McInnis, Price and Vanzandt—12.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr Bell and Mr Donnell-

The Military "Exemption" Bill came up as one of the Orders of the day.

Mr Bennett moved to amend by adding.
"Receivers and the Sheriff Attorneys under the Sequestration Laws of Congress"

Mr McLaurin moved to lay Said Amendment on the table which Motion was lost
And Mr Bennett's Amendment was adopted.

On motion of Mr Gardner, the bill was Amended as follows

Also one owner, One Superintendent, One Machinist, One Engineer and

One foreman of all Cotton and Woolen Factories, also Confederate Tax Assessors and Collectors"

Mr T. P. Ashe moved to Amend by adding

"Also one blacksmith in each Beat where there is a Negro Smith working for the public in Said Beat or Some white Man not liable to Conscription provided Said black Smith has been engaged as Such for ten years."

Mr Bell offered an Amendment to the Amendment as follows:

"One Wagon maker"

which Amendment was lost.

The question recurred on Mr Ashe's Amendment which was adopted.

Mr Lewis Moved to Amend as follows:

That the Officers of the Executive and Judicial Departments and the Members and Officers of the General Assembly shall be liable to duty in the 1st Class under the existing Militia Laws

~~[illegible]~~.

Mr Reid moved to Amend as follows:

All editors and publishers of Newspapers Now exempted from Conscription by acts of the Confederate Congress

pending the Consideration of which

House adjourned till 4 P. M.

Afternoon Session

House Met pursuant to adjournment.

House resumed the Consideration of the bill declaring who Shall be exempt from Military duty in this State

The question was on Mr Lewis' Amendment which was adopted

Yeas 38
Nays 21

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs Speaker, Allen, Ashe, Ashmore, Atkinson, Beard, Bonner, Boyer, Carlisle, Chambers, Chalton, Cobb, Coleman, Cox, J. W. Davis, Dick, Ellis, Gaither, Grattan, Green, Hall, Howard, Lewis, Ligon, Malone, Maness, Merrick, Moulton, McCain, McClellan, McLemore, Orr, Parish, C. A. Parker, E. S. C. Parker, Parsons, Ryan, Scales, Taylor and Vance — 38

Those who voted in the Negative are Messrs Bethea, Chapman, Cooper, Cumming, M L Davis, Dawson, Flannigan, Foster, Green, Hall, Kennon, Kilpatrick, Sanders, Sharpe, Magee, May, Medaniel, John Moore, Morrow, McInnis, Ogburne, Price and Reed — 21.

Mr Medaniel Moved to Strike out
"General Administrators"
which Motion was lost.

Mr Cumming Moved to amend Mr Reed's Amendment as follows

One editor ~~one~~ ~~ten years of age~~ for each Newspaper being published at the time of the passage of this act and such employees as said Editor may Certify on oath to be indispensable to the publication of such Newspaper.

which was adopted as a Substitute for Mr Reed's Amendment.

Mr Sanders Moved to amend by inserting after "editor" the word, "over forty years of age"
which was Carried.

Mr Dawson Moved to lay Mr Cumming's Amendment as amended on the table
which Motion was lost.

On Motion of ~~Mr Chambers~~ Mr Chambers, ~~the vote~~ the vote by which Mr Cumming's Amendment was adopted was Reconsidered, And Mr Cummings Amendment was lost
~~which Motion was lost~~

Yeas 26
Nays 34

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs Atkinson, Beard, Brooks, Carlisle, Cooper, Flannigan, Foster, Gafford, Gardner, Green, Jones, Kennon, Sanders, Magee, May, Medaniel, J. G. Moore, Morrow, McInnis, McClellan, Parish, C. A. Parker, Price, Taylor, Dawkins, Reed and Vance — 26.

The question then recurred on Mr Read's Amendment which was adopted.

Mr Beaman Moved to Amend by striking "Mail Carriers and Mail Contractors"

Mr Cooper Moved to Amend Said Amendment as follows "Such Mail Contractors and Stage drivers and Mail Carriers as in the opinion of the Governor May be indispensable to the public Service, but no Mail Carrier on any one horse Mail Route shall be exempt who is not between the ages of 16 and 18 years"

which on Motion of Mr Sykes was laid on the table

The question then recurred on Mr Beaman's Amendment.

Message from the Senate by Mr Morgan

Senate Oct 5th 1864

Mr Speaker,

The Senate has Amended by Substitute as therein Shown and passed the House bill

To Amend the Act to Reorganize the Militia of the State of Alabama, approved August 29th, 1863.

Mr Sanders Moved to Suspend the Rules &c before the House to take up the Message from the Senate

which Motion was Carried.

The Senate Substitute for the House "Militia" bill was taken up and Read twice.

House adjourned till 10 O'Clock to morrow Morning.

House of Representatives
Thursday October 6. 1864

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr Hill of the Senate

Mr Modawell moved to Suspend the Call of the Counties in order to take up the House Military "Exemption" bill
Which Motion was Carried.

House then proceeded to Consider the bill
Declaring who Shall be exempt from Military Service in this State

Mr Lawler offered the following Resolutions,

Resolved,

That in view of the present emergency and in an act of justice to the Soldiers Now in the Military Service from this State, the bill under Consideration with the proposed Amendments thereto, be recommitted to the Committee on Military Affairs, with instructions to Report a bill placing in the 2nd Class Militia the following Class of persons whose ages would place them in that Class if not Specially exempted - viz: Members and Officers of the General Assembly, Justices of the Peace, Notaries public, Constables, Editors, bonded Agricultural and Mariners, and all other able bodied Men of the proper age whose Services in their Class would Contribute More to the achievement of our Independence than if permitted to remain at home to attend to their respective avocations; Provided, that the Members and Officers of the General Assembly Shall be entitled to furloughs to enable them to attend the Regular and extra Sessions of the Legislature; provided further, that no Member or Officer of the Legislature Shall be allowed to hold any office or appointment under the Governor of this State which Shall exempt him from Service in the ranks.

Which Resolution was on Motion of Mr Parsons, was laid on the table.

Yeas 59
Nays 20

Those who voted in the Affirmative are Messrs Speaker, Armstrong, G. W. Ashe, T. P. Ashe, Ashurst, Atkinson, Beard, Berry, Bethea, Bishop, Bradley, Brandon, Bryan, Bryan, Caddell, Chapman, Charlton, Clarke, Cobb, Coleman, Cox, J. M. Davis, M. S. Davis, Dawson, Dent, Ellis, Gardner, Green, Grantham, Green, Hood, Hall, Howard, Kenan, Lewis, Liles, Mage, Manner, Merrick, Modawell, J. Moore, Jno. G. Moore, Morrison, Newton, McCoy, McClellan, McSween, Oglesby, Orr, C. A. Parker, E. S. B. Parker, Parsons, Reid, Robinson, Ryan, Sykes, Taylor, Tennent and Wolff - 59.

Those who voted in the Negative are Messrs Brooks, Chamberlain, Cooper, Connerly, Franklin, Foster, Gaffney, Jones, Kilpatrick, Lander, Leeper, Malone, May, McInnis, Parish, Procter, Sowle, Tennent, Whitaker and Williamson - 20

Message from the Senate by Mr Morgan

Senate October 6.

Mr Speaker,

The Senate has passed the following House bills;

To fix the pay of the Members of the General Assembly
To pay the Members and Officers of the General Assembly of the present Session.
For the Relief of L. M. Moffett Sheriff of Fayette County
For the Relief of Maimed Indigent Soldiers.
To authorize Anderson Orr and A. W. Ligon to Receive funds due indigent families of Soldiers in Franklin County.
To increase the Salaries of the Secretary of State, Treasurer and Comptroller of Public accounts.
In relation to the distribution of Cotton and Wool Cards.
For the Relief of Richard F. Pope of Perry County
For the Relief of Executors, Administrators, Guardians and Trustees Working an appropriation for the Wayside Home of the City of Montgomery
To provide for the publication and distribution of the acts of the present called Session of the General Assembly
For the Relief of certain Judicial and Executive officers of Marion County.
To Remove the administration of the estate of Henry C. White from Clarke to Marengo County.
For the protection of the Citizens of Fayette County.
To increase the fees and Commissions of certain officers therein named.
To increase the Compensation of the Members of the Commissioners Court for Pike and other Counties herein.
To amend Section 1029 of the Code.
To extend the term for the Completion of Railroads in this State.
To amend the Admiralty Law in this State.

The Senate has amended or therein Shorter and passed the House Bill
Relating to the election of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Montgomery

And has passed House Joint Resolution
Of thanks to Genl N. B. Forrest.

The Senate has originated and passed bills
To amend An act approved Dec 8. 1862
To prevent the oppression of the people of Alabama, by the illegal execution of the Impressment laws of the Confederate States.

And has adopted the address
To Alabama Soldiers absent from the Army without leave
And Joint Resolutions in relation thereto.

And has originated and passed a bill Relating to the toll at Watumpka Bridge

Mr Chapman from the Committee on Enrolled Bills Reported the following as Correctly enrolled:
An act to authorize the Governor to Rescind Certain Contracts therein named.
An act to suspend an act to protect the Elective franchise in Municipal elections in the City of Mobile approved Dec 5. 1861

An act to pay for Servants hire during the present Session of the General Assembly.

Mr Medearis moved to amend Mr Berrien Amendment to the Military Exemption bill by striking out "Contractors"

which was lost

And Mr Berrien Amendment was adopted.

Mr Meares Moved to Amend by adding

All Farmers Shoemakers and Coopers who have been engaged in their respective Callings on the 1st Janry. 1863

which on Motion of Mr. Gratham was amended by provided they will take for Labor and Material, the Currency of the County

~~And Mr Reynolds Amendment as Amended, was adopted.~~

Mr Parish moved to Amend as follows

And One Millwright be exempted in each County and if there be two, the Senior one to be exempted

which Amendment was lost.

The question then recurred on Mr Meares's Amendment which was adopted.

Mr Graves Moved to Amend as follows,

"Members of the Courts of County Commissioners"

which Amendment was adopted.

Mr Sykes Moved to Amend as follows

Apothecaries who were engaged in the business on the 1st day of Janry. 1861 and Continue to keep on hand a good Supply of Medicine

which was adopted.

Mr J. G. Moore moved to add, "Such other Physicians as the Commissioners Court may deem Necessary for the public good" which was lost.

Mr Vaughan Moved to Amend as follows

And also one Wagon Maker for each beat provided he has been working at that Trade for the two years past.

which Amendment was lost.

Mr Reed Moved to Amend as follows

Where Mills are Capable of and accustomed to grind 25 bushels of grain per day ~~which~~ which was lost.

~~Which~~ on Motion of Mr. McSweyn, Bill was amended by Striking out the words

"who are Skilled in their business"

Mr Price moved to amend the Bill by ~~striking~~ Striking out the word "Master" before the word "Machinist"

which was Carried.

Also Moved to add

"One Treasurer and one Book Keeper to each Company"

which Motion was Lost.

Also, to add "One general Ticket Agent and Freight Agent"

which was Lost.

Mr Price moved to amend the 1st Section as follows:

"And such Railroad officers and employees as are exempted by Confederate Law, the President and Superintendent of the respective Railroads of this State shall under oath affirm to be essential to a successful operation of said Railroads, and that the duties of the aforesaid employees cannot be discharged by persons not liable to Military Service or Negroes; provided that nothing in this act Contained shall be so Construed as to exempt the Agents of any Express Company or persons engaged in Cutting ~~which was struck out~~ wood or getting Crop ties for any of the Railroads in this State, or Contractors to furnish wood or Crop ties.

~~Mr Whitaker moved to amend the amendment~~

Mr Carmichael Moved to Amend as follows:
Amend by adding after the word, "detailed as Overseers or Agricul-
turists"
the following words,
"Under the provisions of paragraph 4 of Section 10 of an
Act to organize forces to Serve during the war" Passed by the Congress of the Confed-
erate States and approved February the 17th. 1864 and Such other acts as have been
heretofore Passed by Congress on the Subject of overseers and Agriculturists; and all Such
persons now Serving in the Second Class Militia Shall be entitled to the benefit of
this exemption, and be discharged from Such Service. All persons who have given
bond as required by Said Act of Congress, Shall be held and Considered as detailed
Agriculturists under this act."

Leave of absence was granted to Messrs Gardner, Atkinson and Lacoste,

Pending the Consideration of Mr Carmichael's Amendments

House adjourned till 4 P. M.

Afternoon Session

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr Chambers from the Joint Select Committee Reported
An ordinance to the Soldiers from Alabama absent from
the Military Service without Leave.
which said ordinance was adopted

Mr C. A. Parker from the Committee on Propositions and Grievances reported adversely to the bill
To Regulate the price of provisions &c
which Report was Concurred in.

Also, from the Same Committee, adversely to the
Communication of Capt. W. M. Gillespie
which Report was Concurred in

Also, from the Same Committee, adversely to the
Memorial of George Sable
which Report was Concurred in.

Mr Bacon from the Military Committee Submitted Sundry adverse Reports.

Mr Williams introduced a bill
To authorize the Citizens of Henry and Dale Counties to form themselves into Companies to defend their Homes
which was Read three times forthwith and passed.

Mr Hollis introduced a bill
To authorize M. S. Davis and Alexander Cobb to draw certain funds due the indigent families of Soldiers in Fayette and Marion Counties.
which was Read three times forthwith and passed.

House resumed the Consideration of the "Exemption" Bill.
Question being on Mr Cummings's Amendment which was adopted.

Mr Foster moved to Strike out Section 2
which Motion was Lost.

Mr Moreau moved to amend as follows

"And such other exemptions as the General Assembly deem necessary upon grounds of justice, equity and necessity"

which was adopted.

Mr Chambers offered a Substitute for the whole Bill.

* Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof the following, Section 1st Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Alabama in General Assembly convened, That all persons who may be drafted by the President or the Secretary of War, or who may hereafter be drafted by the Governor of this State, or by any other person or persons authorized by the General Laws of the State to draft Troops in pursuance of the Act of the Congress of the Confederate States of America entitled "An Act to further provide for the public Defence" approved Aug 27, 1863 and all acts amendatory thereof, shall be exempt from Service in the Field, except the Militia called out for the purpose of repelling invasion, Section 2nd

which on Motion of Mr Speaker was laid on the table

Year 45
Nays 22

Those who voted in the Affirmative are Messrs Speaker Armstrong, J. W. Ashe, Atkinson, Atkinson, Beard, Bishop, Bradley, Brandon, Bryan, Chapman, Charlton, Clarke, Cobb, Cooper, Cox, Cumming, Dowd, Gardner, Green, Grantham, Green, Hood, Hobbs, Howard, Leper, Logan, Mabry, Manness, Merrick, Medearell, Jno G. Moore, Morrow, Moulton, McCorkle, McClellan, McLaurin, Ogburn, Orr, E. S. C. Parker, Parson, Peyton, Ramsay, Vincent and White — 45

Those who voted in the Negation are Messrs Benners, Bethea, Brooks, Chandler, Coleman, M. L. Davis, Dawson, Fassett, Foster, Gaffney, Jones, Keener, Kilpatrick, Meares, Moye, John Moore, McInnis, Price, Reed, Ryan, Tindal and Williams — 22.

On Motion of Mr Speaker (Mr Medearell in the Chair) the Senate bill was laid on the table.

Mr Speaker moved to take up the Senate "Militia" bill, which Motion was Carried.

Mr Manness moved to lay said bill on the table which Motion was Carried.

Mr Dawson moved to take up the "Exemption" bill which was Carried.

Also, to amend by adding to the Exemption" bill the Section 1 and 2 of the House "Militia" bill

Mr Benners moved to strike out "exemption" and insert "exclusion" which was Carried.

Which was Put

Mr Benners moved to Amend as follows:
"That the Cadets of the University Shall retain their "present" organization and be Subject to the Orders of the Governor as provided by the present law"
which Amendment on Motion of Mr Parson was Amended as follows
"those over 17 years Shall"

And then Mr Benners Amendment as Amended was adopted

Bill was then Read a third time and passed.

Yeas 45
Nays 21

Those who voted in the Affirmative are Messrs Speaker, Armstrong, J. A. Ashe, Ashurst, Atkinson, Beard, Bonner, Bishop, Bradley, Brandon, Carlisle, Chapman, Charlton, Cumming, Curtis, Ellis, Gardner, Green, Gunthorpe, Green, Heard, Hall, Howard, Leaper, Leach, Ligon, Magee, Malone, Manasco, Merrick, Mackenzie, Morrow, Moulton, McCain, McClellan, McLemore, Oglesby, Orr, C. A. Parker, E. S. C. Parker, Parsons, Ryan, Sykes, Taylor, Vaughan and Vincent—45—

Those who voted in the Negative are Messrs Bethea, Brooks, Chambers, Clarke, Coxe, A. L. Davis, Dawson, Farmer, Jeffords, Kenan, Kilpatrick, May, J. Moore, J. J. Moore, McLeod, Parish, Peter, Reed, Robinson, Tarver & Wilkinson 21.

On Motion of Mr Cooper,

Senate Joint Memorial to President Davis

was taken up and adopted.

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Mr Bethea introduced a bill

To amend an act to Levy and appropriate the Three per Cent fund and the Interest

which was Read twice and Referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

House Concurred in the Amendments of the Senate to bills

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Relating to the election of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Montgomery.

To authorize an additional Clerk in the Treasury department and

for other purposes.

To punish Certain offences therein named

Making an appropriation to aid the indigent families of Soldiers

in the Military Service from the State of Alabama

House bill.

To Regulate the Collection of Taxes and provide for the exchange and funding of Certain Confederate Treasury Notes

Amended by the Senate was Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Messrs Parsons and Sykes were added to Said Committee.

Senate Bill

To Reorganize the Treasury Department of the State,

was Read twice and Referred to the Military Committee

Senate Bills

To Repeal An act to suspend during the war the Statute of Non Claims in Certain Cases

To prevent the oppression of the people of Alabama by the illegal execution of the Suspensive Laws of Congress

were Read twice and Referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Senate Bill

To Amend an act to prohibit the distillation of grain
was Read three times and Referred to the Committee on Propositions and Grievances.

Senate Bills

To amend an Act therein Named
In relation to the toll at the Wetumpka Bridge
was Severally Read three times and passed—

Senate Joint Memorial

To the President of the Confederate States
was Read and adopted—

Mr Chapman from the Committee on Enrolled Bills
Reported the following as Correctly enrolled:

An Act to increase the Salaries of the Secretary of State, Treasurer and Comptroller.
An act for the Relief of Richard F Pope of Perry County
An act for the Relief of Certain Judicial and Executive officers in Marion County
An Act to remove the administration of the Estate of Henry C Whit
from Clarke County to Marengo County
An act explanatory of an act to increase the fees of Judges of Probate and other officers.
An act to increase the fees and Commissions of Certain officers therein Named.
An act to Amend Section 1029 of the Code of Alabama.
An act Making an appropriation for the Wayside Home in the City of Montgomery
An act for the Relief of Lewis M. Moffett Sheriff of Fayette County
An act to pay the Members and Officers of the General Assembly of the present Session
An act to fix the pay of the Members of the General Assembly.
Joint Resolution of thanks to Gen N. B. Forrest.

Message from the Governor by J. H. Judkins Private Secretary.

Mr Speaker,

His Excellency, the Governor has approved the bills which originated in the House of Representatives of the following titles:

An Act to pay the Members and officers of the General Assembly of the present Session.

An Act to Suspend an act to prohibit the Election franchise in Municipal elections in the City of Mobile approved Decemb. 5. 1861.

An Act to authorize the Governor to Rescind Certain Contracts therein Named,

An Act to pay for Swords his during the present Session of the General Assembly—

Message from the Senate by Mr Morgan.

Senate Octobr 6, 1864.

Mr Speaker,

The Senate has originated and passed bills.

To amend an act therein named.

To Repeal an act to suspend the Statute of Non Claims during the war &c

And passed House Bills,

To punish Certain offences therein named.

To amend Section 1169 of the Code of Alabama

And amended as therein shown and passed House bill

To regulate the Collection of taxes and to provide for the exchange and funding of Confederate State Treasury Notes.

And has originated and adopted

Joint Memorial to the President of the Confederate States.

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Veto Message of the Governor.

Executive Department of Alabama
Montgomery Ala. Octobr 4th 1864.

To the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of Alabama:

I Cannot give my approval to a Bill originating in the House of Representatives entitled "An act to Change the Names of Mary Eliza Gardner and John Clement Gardner to Nelson"

The 29th Section of Article 3rd of the Constitution declares that "no Special Law Shall be enacted for the benefit of individuals or private Corporations, in Cases which can be provided for by a general Law, or when the Relief Sought Can be given by any Court of the State."

Section 670 and 2011 of the Code of Alabama provide ample remedy for the Change of Names and to accomplish the other purposes of the bill.

There is another objection to the bill. It undertakes to Make by Legislative action, an heir of the estate of Angus Nelson is now dead his estate has already vested in the persons who were his "heirs" at the time of his death, and the Legislature Could not divest or impair the rights of such heirs. If Mr Angus Nelson is still alive and wishes to Make them Persons Capable of inheriting his estate, the Section of the Code above referred to provide an ample and Complete Remedy. The bill recites that Many of the Case which Says no living Man can have an heir. Parents and heirs

T. H. Watts
Gov. of Alabama.

House took up the Bill to change the Names of Mary Eliza Gardner and John Clement Gardner to Nelson
And refused to pass the bill over the veto of the Governor

Yeas 0
Nays 32.

Those who voted in the Negative are Mess. Speaker, Armstrong, Beard, Berryman, Bethea, Bishop, Brandon, Brooks, Carlisle, Chapman, Chapman, Clarke, Cobb, Coleman Cox, Cumming, McDonald, Davis, Franklin, Frazier, Gafford, Gardner, Green, Greathouse Head, Hollis, Howard, Keenan, Kilpatrick, Leeper, Logan, Magee, Manasco, May, Merrick,

Medaurell, Jno G. Moore, Morrow, McCain, McInnis, Ogburn, Orr, Powell, C. A. Parker, E. S. C. Parker, Parsons, Price, Read, Robinson, Ryan, Sykes, Tarbox, Youngblood, Vincent and Williams—32.

Moore adjourned till 10 O'Clock to-morrow Morning.

House of Representatives
Friday October 7th 1864

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Dr H. N. McTyeire of this City

Mr Chambers offered the following Resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Senate be requested to allow the Clerk to withdraw the Message transmitted to the Senate on last night in relation to the Military bills, the same having been incorrectly delivered.

Mr Boozman by leave, from the Committee on Ways and Means, Reported adversely to the Concurring in the Amendments of the Senate to the House bills

To Regulate the Collection of Taxes and to provide for the exchange and funding of Confederate State Treasury Notes

which Report was Concurred in.

Also, Reported adversely from the Military Committee, the Senate Bills

To Regulate the Treasury Department of the State,

which Report was Concurred in.

Mr Parsons from the Judiciary Committee Reported favorably to the bill from the Senate

To prevent the oppression of the people of Alabama by the illegal execution of the Confiscation Laws of Congress

which bill was Read a third time and passed.

Mr Williams from the Ways Committee reported adversely to the Senate Bill.

To Repeal an act to suspend during the war the Statute of Monopolies in certain Cases.

which Report was Concurred in.

Senate Bill

To extend the time of the grading of the Tennessee and Alabama Central Railroad from Decatur to a point a few Miles east of Montevallo

was Read the third time forthwith and passed.

House refused to Concur in the Senate Amendments to the House bill

To aid in arming Cavalry and Struggling from the Army.

House Concurred in the Senate Amendments to the House Bill.

To Amend An act to encourage and promote the Manufacturing of Lubricating Oil

Senate Bill

To increase the Salaries of Chancellors and Circuit Court Judges

was Read twice and Referred to the Judiciary Committee

Messrs Bowers, Bethea and Magee were appointed a Committee of Conference on the part of the House on the House Bill

to authorize the Sheriff to exempt from Attachment certain ~~goods~~ stock and the Rents

of Real Estate and the Proceeds

To Regulate the Collection of Taxes and to provide for the exchange and funding of Confederate State Treasury Notes.

House Concurred in the Amendment of the Senate to the House Bill

For the Relief of B W. Starke Probate Judge of Coffee County.

Mr Dayton introduced a Bill

To authorize County Treasurer, Probate Judge and other persons to exchange old Specie for new of Confederate State, Treasury Notes,

which was Read three times forthwith and passed.

Mr C. A. Parker from the Committee on Propositions and Grievances Reported favorably to the Senate Bill

To Amend an act to prohibit the distillation of grain in the State of Alabama approved December 8. 1862.

House Refused to order the Bill to a third Reading.

Mr Chambers from the Committee on Education Reported favorably to the Senate Bill

To Require Counties of free public Schools to take an Oath of Office to be administered by the County Superintendents of Education and for other purposes

House refused to order the Bill to be printed & Recommitted

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Mr Medowell offered the following Resolution which was adopted;

Resolved, That with the Concurrence of the Senate the two Houses of the General Assembly will adjourn without day on the 7th Instant, at 5 O'Clock, P. M.

Message from the Senate by Mr Saml Secretary;

Senate October 7. 1864

Mr Speaker

The Senate has passed House Bills

To authorize the Citizens of Henry and Dale Counties to form themselves into Companies for the defence of their homes and families

And has Amended as therein shown and passed Bills,

To Amend an act to encourage and promote the Manufacturing of Lubricating Oil approved Dec 7. 1863

For the Relief of B M. Starke Probate Judge of Coffee County.

And adopted Res adding to Alabama Soldiers who are unprotected about from their Commands

The Senate has rejected House bills

To authorize the settlement of the estate of Maj Beasley in the Probate Court of Talladega County.

For the Relief of Soldiers families in Barbour County.

Also, rejected

Joint Resolutions on the subject of the visit of Robert Toombs.

And has originated and passed a bill

To extend the period for the proceeding of the Decatur & Alabama Central Railroad from Decatur to a point a few miles East of Montevallo.

And has Amended as therein shown and passed House bills

To aid in arresting deserters and Stragglers from the Army.

The Senate insists on its Amendments to the House bill

To Amend the Act to Reorganize the Militia of the State of Alabama.

And asks for a Committee of Conference.

Messrs Reavis, Eakin and Barnes are the Committee on the part of the Senate.

And Senate insists on its Amendment to the House Bill to

To Regulate the Collection of Taxes and to provide for the exchange and funding of Confederate States Treasury Notes

And asks for a Committee of Conference.

Messrs Clarke, Harrison and Garrett are the Committee on the part of the Senate.

Mr Chapman from the Committee on Enrolled Bills Reported the following bills as Correctly enrolled:

An act for the Relief of Maimed Wounded Soldiers.

An Act to authorize Anderson Orr and A. M. Sligo to receive funds due Soldiers families in Franklin County.

An Act in relation to the distribution of Cotton and Wool Cards.

An Act for the Relief of Executors, Administrators, Guardians and Trustees.

An act to increase the Compensation of the Members of the Commissioners Court for Pike and other Counties therein named.

Message from the Governor by J. H. Jenkins, Private Secretary:

Mr Speaker,

His Excellency, the Governor has approved the bills which originated in the House of Representatives, of the following titles:

An act Making an appropriation for the Way Side House in the City of Montgomery.

An act to increase the fees and Commissions of certain officers therein named.

An Act for the Relief of Lewis M. Wolff and Sheriff of Fayette County
An act to Amend Section 1029 of the Code of Alabama
An act to Remove the administration of the estate of Harry C. White from Clarke County to Marengo County
An act to increase the Salaries of the Secretary of State, Treasurer, and Comptroller of Public Accounts.
Joint Resolution of thanks to Gen A. B. Hovey.
An act for the protection of the Citizens of Fayette County
An act for the Relief of certain Judicial and Executive officers of Marion County
An act explanatory of an act to increase the fees of Judges of Probate and other officers
An act for the Relief of Richard F. Pope of Perry County
An act to fix the pay of the Members of the General Assembly
An act to extend the time for the Completion of Railroads in this State
An act in relation to the distribution of Cotton and Naval Stores.
An act to increase the Compensation of the Members of the Circuit Courts for Pike and other Counties therein named.
An act for the Relief of Maimed and Indigent Soldiers
An act to authorize Anderson Orr and A. W. Sloan to receive funds due Soldiers families in Franklin County.

Mr Beeman from the Committee of Conference reported on the bill
To Regulate the Collection of taxes and to provide for the exchange and funding of Confederate States Treasury Notes
which Report was adopted.

Message from the Senate by Mr Morgan

Mr Speaker,
The Senate has Amended as therein shown and passed the House Bill
To Amend an act to Reorganize the Militia of the State of Alabama, approved August 27, 1863

House refused to Concur in the Senate Amendments to said Bill

Yeas 14
Nays 55

Those who voted in the affirmative are Messrs Bethea, Brooks, Chambers, Cooper, Mr. S. Davis, Dawson, Fowler, Gaffard, Hays, Parish, Price, Read, Robinson, and Williams — 14

Those who voted in the Negative are Messrs Speaker, G. W. Acker, Acklen, Atkinson, Bond, Beeman, Bishop, Bradley, Brandon, Bryan, Carlisle, Chapman, Charlton, Clarke, Colt, Coleman, Cox, Cummings, Dawson, Dent, Ellis, Gardner, Graves, Greathouse, Green, Hood, Hollis, Howard, Jones, Keener, Leeper, Lewis, Sr., Logan, Mahan, Manning, Merrick, Mcdowell, John J. Mercer, Morrow, Neville, McCord, McInnis, McClellan, McSimms, Oglesby, C. A. Parker, E. S. C. Parker, Parsons, Pope, Sykes, Vaughan, White and Wolff — 55.

A Committee of Conference on said bill was appointed Consisting of Messrs Dawson, Medowell and Parson.

Message from the Senate by Mr Morgan

Mr Speaker,

The Senate insists on its Amendments to the House Bill

To amend an act to reorganize the Militia &c
To aid in arresting Deserters and Stragglers from the Army

And agrees to the appointment of a Committee of Conference on the Matters of disagreement

Messrs Reade, Crain and Barnes on the Senate Committee

The Senate agrees to the Report of the Committee of Conference on the Bill,

To Regulate the Collection of Taxes and to provide for the exchange and funding of Confederate State Treasury Notes,

Messrs Dawson, Medowell and Parson were appointed the Committee of Conference on the bill

To aid in arresting deserters and Stragglers from the Army.

House adjourned till 3. P.M.

Afternoon Session

House Met pursuant to adjournment

Message from the Governor by J. H. Judkins Private Secretary.

Mr Speaker

His Excellency, the Governor has approved the bills which originated in the House of Representatives, of the following titles:

An Act for the relief of Executors, Administrators, Guardians and Trustees

An act to amend the Admiralty law in this State

An act to punish Certain offenses therein named

An act for the Relief of P. W. Starke Probate Judge of Coffee County

An act to authorize an additional Clerk in the Treasury Department and for other purposes

An Act relating to the election of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Montgomery

An Act Making an Appropriation to aid indigent families of Soldiers in the Military Service from the State of Alabama

An act to provide for the printing and distribution of the acts of the present Session of the General Assembly

An act to amend Section 1169 of the Code of Alabama.

Mr Ogburn introduced a bill

To pay the Door Keeper of the two Houses

which was Read twice.

Message from the Senate by Mr Morgan.

Mr Speaker,

The Senate has originated and passed a bill

For the Relief of the Secretary of the Senate and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives

which bill was read twice in this House and

On Motion of Mr Bethea was amended by adding $50 to the Door Keeper of the Senate and House of Representatives

Bill was Read a third time and passed.

Mr Hanson from the Committee of Conference reported Certain Amendments to the Bill

To aid in securing desertion and Straggling from the Army

which Amendments were adopted

Mr Hanson from the Committee of Conference reported that the Committee could not agree on the

"Militia" and "Exemption" Bills,

Message from the Senate by Mr Morgan

Senate Oct 6th 1841

Mr Speaker

The Senate has amended the Amendment of the House to the Senate bill

For the Relief of the Secretary of the Senate and the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives,

And as amended Concurs in the Same.

House Concurred in Said Amendment of the Senate.

Mr Chapman from the Committee on Enrolled Bills reported the following as Correctly enrolled:

An act to extend the time for the Completion of Railroads in this State.

An act to amend the Admiralty Law in this State

An act to amend Section 1169 of the Code of Alabama.

An act to provide for the printing and distribution of the acts of the present Session of the General Assembly

An act to punish Certain offences therein named

An act relating to the election of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Montgomery.

An act to authorize an additional Clerk in the Treasury Department and for other purposes

An act Making an appropriation to aid the indigent families of Soldiers in the Military Service from the State of Alabama

An act to authorize the Citizens of Henry and Pike Counties to form themselves into Companies for the defence of their homes and families

An act for the Relief of B W Starke Probate Judge of Coffee County

An act to amend an act to encourage and promote the Manufacturing of Saltpetre &c approved Dec 7, 1840

An act to regulate the Collection of taxes and to provide for the exchange and funding of Confederate State Treasury Notes

Mr Cooper offered the following Resolution:

Resolved,

That with the Concurrence of the Senate, the two Houses will adjourn Sine die at 10 O'clock P M of this day.

Mr Chapman moved to amend the Resolution by Striking out 10 P M and inserting 12 ~~XX~~ M. to Morrow.

Which motion in Spite of Mr Speer, was Ruled in the Latter.

And the Resolution was adopted.

Mr Chambers offered the following Resolution which was adopted.

Resolved,

That no more Passes shall be introduced into this House after 5 O'clock this day.

Mr Chambers offered the following Resolution which was adopted

Unanimously

Resolved,

That the thanks of this House are due and they are hereby tendered to the Honorable Speaker for the dignified, prompt and impartial Manner in which he has discharged the duties of his office, during the present extra Session.

Message from the Senate by Mr Morgan Asst Secretary

Senate- October 7. 1864

Mr Speaker,

The Senate has passed House Bills,

To provide for the payment of the School funds of Oak County to the Trustees of each Beat.

To authorize M L Davis and Alexander Cobb to draw Cotton funds due the families of indigent Soldiers in the Counties of Fayette and Marion.

And Amended and passed House Bill

To authorize County Treasurers Probate Judges and other persons to exchange old issue of Confederate States Treasury notes for New.

And Concurs in the Report of the Committee of Conference on the Bill

To aid in arresting deserters and Straggles from the Army.

And the Senate has adopted the following Resolutions

Resolved,

That the House be informed forthwith, that the Senate in discharging the Committee of Conference in relation to the Bill to be entitled An Act to Amend an act to Reorganize the Militia approved August 29, 1863, feel it due to the Country respectfully to ask the House to appoint another Committee to confer with a like Committee on the part of the Senate touching the Matters of difference between the Houses in relation to the Subject contained in said bill,

House refused to adopt said Resolution.

Senate bill

To increase the Salaries of Chancellors and Circuit Court Judges was Reported back from the Judiciary Committee by Mr Crenshaw with one Amendment

Which Amendment was adopted and the bill read a third time and passed

Message from the Senate by Mr Morgan.

Mr Speaker,

The Senate Concurs in the House Amendment to the Senate Bill

To increase the Salaries of Chancellors and Circuit Court Judges.

Also has adopted the following Resolutions;

Resolved,

With the Concurrence of the House, that a Committee of three be appointed on the part of each House, to wait upon the Governor and inform him that the two Houses have determined to adjourn Sine die unless he has Some further Communication to Make,

Messrs Ridley, Crisler and Balger on the Senate Committee

House adopted said Resolution and Messrs Moulton, Ogburn and Chapman were appointed the Committee on the part of the House.

Mr Chapman from the Committee on Enrolled Bills Reported the following as Correctly enrolled:

An Act to provide for the payment of the School funds of Hale County to the Trustees of each Beat.

An Act to authorize M. L. Davis and Alexander Cobb to draw Certain funds due the families of Indigent Soldiers in the Counties of Fayette and Marion.

An Act to authorize County Treasurers, Probate Judges and other persons to exchange old issue of Confederate States Treasury Notes for new.

An Act to aid in arresting deserters and Stragglers from the Army.

Mr Moulton from the Joint Select Committee reported that the Committee had waited on the Governor and informed him that the two Houses were ready to adjourn Sine die if he had no further Communication to Make; and were informed that he would Communicate with the two Houses immediately-

Message from the Governor by J. H. Judkins Jr Private Secretary.

Mr Speaker,

His Excellency the Governor has approved the bills which originated in the House of Representatives, of the following titles.

An Act to regulate the Collection of Taxes and to provide for the exchange and funding of Confederate Treasury Notes

An Act to Amend An Act "to encourage and promote the Manufacturing of Lubricating Oil" approved December 7, 1863.

An Act to authorize the Citizens of Henry and Dale Counties to form themselves into Companies for the defence of their homes and families.

An Act to authorize M. L. Davis and Alexander Cobb to draw Certain funds due the families of Indigent Soldiers in the Counties of Fayette and Marion.

An Act to provide for the payment of the School funds of Hale County to the Trustees of each Beat.

An Act to authorize County Treasurers, Probate Judges and other persons to exchange old issue of Confederate State Treasury Notes for new.

An Act to aid in arresting deserters and Stragglers from the Army.

Executive Department of Alabama
Montgomery October 7th 1864

Mr Speaker,

I am directed by His Excellency, the Governor, to deliver to the Honorable House of Representatives, the accompanying Message.

J. H. Judkins
Private Secretary.

Executive Department of Alabama
Montgomery Ala. October 7, 1864

To the General Assembly of Alabama.

I have received through your Committee, the announcement of your intention to adjourn to-day. This announcement, I have received with deep regret. The great object for which you were called together in extraordinary Session, has failed

to be accomplished. This failure may result in the most calamitous Consequences to the State, The State is not properly defended. It is not in my power, Under your present Laws, to have it properly defended. It was in your power to accomplish this desirable end. Unfortunately, in my judgment, you have failed to exercise this power.

I have no further Communication to make to you Now, but I trust that a Merciful God will protect us, and enable the tried and true Men already in the Military Service, to Save our beloved State from all impending dangers. I hope when you return to the Regular Sessions, the Giver of all good will inspire you with the wisdom to devise and to do what Shall be best for the Success of our Cause, and for the establishment of our Country's liberty.

J. H. Watts
Governor of Alabama

Mr Parsons Moved to return Said Message to the Governor in an envelope.

Mr Cumming Moved to adjourn Sine die which Motion was lost.

Afterwards, Mr Sayre, Moved to adjourn Sine die which was Carried.

Mr Speaker Counihan then addressed the House in a Short and appropriate Manner and announced the House adjourned Sine die.

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Albert Elmore
Clerk of H. of R

Walter H. Counihan. Speaker of the House of Representatives